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October 24th, 1889.

Honorable Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that a warrant be drawn in favor of George C. Munson, late Assayer-in-Charge U. S. Mint at Denver Colo. for four cents (.04), payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of that Mint for the fiscal year 1889, to reimburse him for a deposit of same amount to the credit of the appropriation erroneously made by him.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 24, 1889.

To the
First Comptroller
of the Treasury.

Sir:

Herewith transmitted for file in your office, please find the official bond of Oliver & Co. Bosby Shell recently appointed Superintendent of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 24, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer of fourteen thousand ounces at ninety four cents per ounce fine, accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Oct. 24th, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectfully named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Handy & Harman 50,000 Ounces, at $0.9420

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

Oct. 24, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of yesterday, relative to the transfer of the Mint to the new Superintendent, I would say that the only point of interest to you is to obtain a receipt from the new Superintendent in full for all moneys with which you are charged, so as to close your accounts and relieve your bondsmen. The details of the settlement rest entirely with the new Superintendent who is to give this receipt, and whatever weighing or counting he deems necessary in order to give such receipt must be had. I think, however, there will be but very little. I have explained personally to Col. Bosbyshell to-day my views as to how the transfer should be made, and he agrees with them fully.

For your guidance I would say that you will turn over to the Melter and Refiner, in the

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last day of this month, or from now until then, all the bullion in your possession except the New York assay Office gold bars under seal and any commercial bars which you have on hand.

There will be no interruption in the business of the operative departments.

While the new Superintendent will receipt to you in full for all moneys with which you are charged, a portion of them, namely: the balances shown by the books of the Mint and acknowledged by the operative officers to be in their possession, will form a portion of the receipt.

I would suggest that you instruct the Coiner to complete his monthly allotment of coinage by Tuesday of next week so that it will not be necessary for him to deliver any more coin this month after that date. You will, of course, deposit in the Treasury all unexpended balances of appropriations in your hands, including funds advanced you from the "parting and refining" appropriation and the appropriation for the coinage of the silver dollar.

But for the fact that I am busily engaged in the preparation of my annual report I would come to Philadelphia and personally superintend the transfer, but I may send Mr. Preston.

I think the transfer will be very simple and occupy not over a day or two.

Very respectfully,

E. O. Leech

Director.

October 24, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco Cal.

Sir:
Replying to your letter of the 18th instant in relation to bill for dies of the approval of which you were advised under date of the 5th ultimo, I have to say that the gross amount given you was incorrect and that the items as segregated, show the proper charges against your appropriations.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

October 24th, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:
C. D. No. 1500 for $18.11, being on account of grains from deposit melting Room 1st qr. 1890, inclosed in your communication of the 22nd inst., has been received, properly indorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your bullion accounts and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Three (3) Similar letters except as here noted, to same address.

C. D. No. 1501 for $84.37 + + Charges for melting assaying & Stamping

C. D. No. 1502 for $15.06 + + gain on bullion transferred

over

C. D. No. 1503 for $2.—, + + + Bullion Assays + + + + + + + no personal credit to be given you in your accounts + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

October 24, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Oct. 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Sixty-three Thousand Six Hundred and nineteen $\frac{79}{100}$ Dollars ($63,619.\frac{79}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Fourteen Hundred and Eighty-one $\frac{59}{100}$ Dollars ($1481\frac{59}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Sixty-five Thousand One Hundred and one $\frac{38}{100}$ Dollars, ($65,101.\frac{38}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated Oct. 21st, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully Yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

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Oct. 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Helena be increased in the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution as follows, viz:

125,000 - with Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York, and
25,000 - with First National Bank, Helena.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, be increased in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of that institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at St. Louis, Mo., by telegraph.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement the Medal Fund account of the Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia for the Quarter ending September 30, 1889 rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

October 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I will thank you to forward your Cashier's Daily Statement for the 4th instant, none having been received.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 25, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Helena:

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated Oct. 21, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 10 dated Oct. 12, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $65,273.37/100; charges, $171.99/100, and net value $65,101.38/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund

Fol.

The Secretary of the Treasury desires to have it assayed as to its constituents of lead and silver. You will please have this done in the assay department of your Office, and a report rendered to this bureau at your earliest convenience.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

Oct. 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Medal Fund account for the Quarter ending September 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 14th instant, you are informed that it will be necessary for you to deposit in the Treasury all balances of advances made you from appropriations, including Standard Silver Dollar and Refinery on hand on the 31st instant. The balance to your credit at New York will not be deposited but will be included in the amount belonging to the bullion fund to be transferred to your successor. He will receipt for the balance at New York.

Respectfully Yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 25th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I will thank you to furnish me by return mail a statement showing the percentage of good gold and silver coin produced from Bullion operated upon during the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1889

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of the 18th inst; relative to the cost of shipping sweeps to New York, in view of the heavy expense attending freight and insurance, and the uncertainty as to what percentage of assay value would be obtained for them in the East it would not be advisable to ship them at present.

The question of the proper appropriation or fund to pay the loss on these sweeps is not a matter of so much importance as the obtaining of a suitable price for the sweeps.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have

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been mailed you this day, viz:
1000 Certificates of Silver Purchases. (Form No. 6 B.)
50 Oaths of Office, (Form No. 58 B.)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 25, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, ($25,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States of St. Louis.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech,
Director.

October 25, 1889.

George H. Ellis, Esq.,
141 Franklin St.
Boston, Mass.

Sir:

Your bill of recent date for subscription to the Quarterly Journal of Economics from Oct. 1889 to Oct. 1890 purchased for the use of the Bureau of the Mint, and amounting to $2.00 has been approved, and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement.

In the course of ten days a draft for the amount will probably be mailed you.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Hon. J. H. Reagan,
1215 P. St.
Washington D.C.

Sir:

As requested to day I enclose herewith two state-ments, one showing the average price of Silver for each fiscal year from 1878 to 1889 and the other showing the countries to which the silver bullion exported from the United States during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, was consigned.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Telegram Confirmed

Anglo-Californian Bank,
San Francisco, Cal.

Your offer declined.
E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Oct. 25, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston and Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.

Will consider, Monday, an offer to deliver 100,000 and upwards ounces of Silver at San Francisco, within Twenty days.

E. O. Leech
Director.

October 25th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Omaha & Grant Smelting Co.,
Omaha, Neb.

Will consider, Monday, an offer to deliver from 100,000 ~~200,000~~ ounces of Silver at San Francisco within twenty days.

Have you shipped the 200,000 ounces purchased for that Mint?

E. O. Leech
Director.

October 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 18th instant transmitting special test assay coins, from the delivery of 26000 Standard Silver dollars made by the coiner of your Mint on the 18th instant. These coins should not be transmitted until the close of the month when all that are received for special tests during the month should be forwarded.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have to day approved and referred to the accounting officers of the Department for adjustment a bill of the New York Mail and Express, amounting to $72.00 for advertising for proposals for supplies for your institution during the current fiscal

year. The bill will be paid from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your offices, fiscal year 1889.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have approved and return herewith the contracts with Messrs. Merchant & Co. of Philadelphia for 100,000 pounds bronze one cent blanks at 26 cents per pound and 50,000 pounds nickel five cent blanks at 40 cents per pound.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

October 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank forms and books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4 Books of Mint Receipts (Form No. 73.)
50 Statements of Cashier's balances (Form No. 222a.)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 26, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 26, 1889.

Hon. John H. Reagan,
United States Senate.

Sir:

I enclose herewith statement requested in your letter of the 25th instant, showing the value of a fine ounce of silver and loss per cent each year from 1878 to 1889.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Average value each fiscal year of an ounce of fine Silver with loss per cent each year from 1878

Years.	Value of a fine ounce	Loss per cent from 1878:
1878	$1.19850	
1879	1.11387	6.4
1880	1.14954	3.4
1881	1.13852	4.4
1882	1.13623	4.6
1883	1.11826	6.1
1884	1.11339	6.5
1885	1.09262	8.2
1886	1.03112	13.4
1887	.98301	17.4
1888	.95741	19.6
1889	.93163	21.7

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First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco for the Month ending August 31, 1889, rendered this date for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

Similar letter except as here noted, & same address.

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Note: abst. of disbursements recommending disallowance.

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Telegram

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

No report of last annual settlement forwarded. Telegraph in round ounces gold and silver delivered melter and refiner last fiscal year.

E. O. Leech
Director.

October 28, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' Offer of thirty thousand ounces at—

ninety four and one half cents, per ounce fine accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

October 28, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts for the month of August 1889 with my approval, except the pay roll of the Coiner's department in which the extra time of E. H. Barton, weigher, and Simon Lee, workman, are erroneously calculated.

The former should be $5.06 not $5.50 and the latter $5.35 instead of $7.13, as entered.

The overpayment is recommended to be disallowed and the amount will be deposited to the credit of the appropriation for Wages of Workmen of your Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 28, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant

Treasurer at New York:
Heaudy & Kearman, 150,000 Ounces, at $0.9440

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco,

Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Co. 250,000 Ounces, at $0.9525

October 28, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Confirmed.

Have purchased two hundred and fifty thousand ounces of Silver from Omaha and Grant for delivery at your Mint within twenty days, payment of approximate value by draft on New York. Rate of purchase sent you by To-day's mail.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Oct. 28, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery Expense accounts for the month ending August 31, 1889, with my

approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 26, 1889.

E. D. Bradhead, Esq.,
U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

Replying to yours of the 21st inst. you are informed that if you go to Boise you will be required to do all the assaying as there is no other assayer there. You will take the place of Mr. Cabell Whitehead who has been appointed assayer of this bureau, and the compensation will be $5.00 a day. Unless you are thoroughly qualified to perform the duties of the position it is not desirable that you should accept the office as the safety of the assayer in charge, as well as the Government depends entirely upon your assays. You will understand that the deposits at Boise after being paid for, upon the assay of the assayer there, are sent to the Mint at Philadelphia for coinage and the Mint only allows what the Mint assayers find in the bullion, so that any errors in assays at Boise are sure to be discovered at Philadelphia, and there is no fund to pay the losses from. Mr. Wild was removed from the assay office at Boise City, last May, and the officer in charge is Mr. Cunningham.

Should you go to Boise I want a certificate from Professor Torrey that you are qualified to discharge the duties of the position

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech, Director.

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H. B. Parsons, Esq.,
Wells Fargo & Co's Express -
63 Broadway, New York.

Sir:

Acknowledging the receipt of your communication of the 25th inst. relative to advances upon deposits from the Homestake groups of mines, I would say that there has been no change in the regulations governing advances on gold deposits, and I have not issued any instructions, nor am I aware of any having been issued from this bureau on the subject since the regulations of 1888.

While there is no authority of law for advances on deposits of gold of any kind the regulations governing the mint service provide as follows:

"In case of deposits of gold coin, United States mint or assay office bars re-deposited, or fine gold bars bearing the stamps of well-known refineries, requiring either to be remelted or re-assayed, payment therefor may, at the discretion of the Superintendent of the coinage mints and assay office at New York, be made within 2 per cent. of the value of the gold contained therein, ascertained within one-thousandth part by assay, provided that no partial payment be made on a deposit the value of which is less than $5,000."

While I very much question the legality of any advances on gold deposits the regulation quoted is still in force.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 28, 1889.

George S. Evans, Esq.,
1227 Chestnut St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your favor of Saturday I would say that my Annual Report is in course of preparation and when issued a copy will be promptly mailed you. In regard to sending you a biographical sketch of myself for the new edition of your history, in view of the fact that I have not been confirmed by the United States Senate I would not care to have any sketch of me published at this time.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director

Oct. 28, 1889.

Hon. Charles O'Neill
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that the appointment of Miss Fannie L. Price, as an Adjuster in the U. S. Mint Philadelphia, has this day been approved by me to take effect from the date of her official oath.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 28, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer accepted.
E. O. Leech,
Director Mint.

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October 28, 1889.

Telegram

Omaha and Grant Smelting and Refining Company,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Confirmed.

Your offer accepted for two hundred and fifty thousand ounces at ninety-five and one fourth cents per ounce fine for delivery at San Francisco within twenty days.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Oct. 29, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Twelve thousand Four Hundred and Sixty-two $\frac{48}{100}$ Dollars ($12,462.$\frac{48}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Seventy-three $\frac{00}{100}$ Dollars ($173.$\frac{00}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Twelve Thousand, Six Hundred and Thirty-five $\frac{48}{100}$ Dollars ($12,635.$\frac{48}{100}$), being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise City, as shown by Memorandum dated Oct. 25th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Oct. 29, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colo. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Forty-eight Thousand six Hundred and ninety-six $\frac{4}{100}$ Dollars ($48,696.\frac{4}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Five Hundred and Seventy-four $\frac{54}{100}$ Dollars ($574.\frac{54}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-nine Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy $\frac{95}{100}$ Dollars ($49,270.\frac{95}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated Oct. 23, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 29, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the statistical expense account of the Assayer-in-Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena for the year ending June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Oct. 29, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated Oct. 25, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 11 dated Oct. 19, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $12,669.$\frac{24}{100}$. charges $33.$\frac{96}{100}$, and net value $12,635.$\frac{48}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 29, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Oct. 23, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 11 dated Oct. 17, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $49,395.$\frac{11}{100}$; charges $124.$\frac{16}{100}$, and net value $49,270.$\frac{95}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Statistical expense account for the year ending June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

In making up your daily statement for the Treasurer of the United States you will report to him the number of Silver dollars delivered by the Coiner each day.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

October 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Advance purchasing rate of Silver 95 ninety four cents per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram to:

Supt U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

October 29, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Confirmed

Advance purchasing rate of silver Ninety-four and one half cents per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

October 29, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent, Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Confirmed

Receive fifty thousand ounces from Anglo-Californian Bank, at ninety-five and one half cents, per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

October 29, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Confirmed

State by wire at close of business, Wednesday and Saturdays each week, cost of silver bullion on hand for dollar coinage.

E. O. Leech,
Director, Mint.

October 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Until further notice, the purchasing rate of silver in lots of less than 10,000 ounces at your Mint, will be 94 cents, per ounce fine.

Respectfully yours,

E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

Your attention is respectfully invited to letter from this Bureau of the 18th inst. in relation to Voucher No. 32 of your Ordinary Account for the Month of August last. It is especially necessary that the item for railroad fare, $7.65 should be explained before the expenditure is approved.

I will thank you to give the letter early attention

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech.
Director.

October 29th, 1889.

Telegram

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Penna.

Am awaiting a brief account of the business of your Mint for last fiscal year for our annual report. Please forward it to-day if possible.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 29, 1889.

R. E. Preston, Esq.,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

You are hereby instructed to proceed to Philadelphia and Superintend the transfer of the Mint from Mr. Cox, the present Superintendent to Mr. Boobyshell who has been appointed to succeed him.

Your necessary expenses while engaged in the performance of this duty will be paid.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

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Telegram Confirmed

Anglo Californian Bank,
San Francisco, Cal.

Your offer accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver Colo for the Month ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment, as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York City for the Month ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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October 29, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

Your attention is respectfully invited to letter from this Bureau of the 18th inst. in relation to Voucher No. 32 of your Ordinary Account for the Month of August last. It is especially necessary that the item for railroad fare, $7.45 should be explained before the expenditure is approved.

I will thank you to give the letter early attention

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 29th, 1889.

Telegram

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Am awaiting a brief account of the business of your Mint for last fiscal year for my annual report. Please forward it to-day if possible.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 29, 1889.

R. E. Preston, Esq.,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

You are hereby instructed to proceed to Philadelphia and Superintend the transfer of the Mint from Mr. Cox, the present Superintendent to Mr. Boyd who has been appointed to succeed him.

Your necessary expenses while engaged in the performance of this duty will be paid.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

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Telegram Confirmed

Anglo Californian Bank,
San Francisco, Cal.

Your offer accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver Colo for the Month ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York City for the Month ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Telegram

Confirmed

Oct. 30, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson.

Telegraph to-morrow amount of finished coin delivered by coiner during month October.

E. O. Leech
Director Mint.

October 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Coiners Gold Journal.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

500 Memoranda of Silver bullion deposited (Form No. 439.)

Oct. 30, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint
Denver Cols.,

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary expense account for the month of August 1889. with my approval, except

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the per diem payroll of employés which shows an overpayment of $5.00 to Byron N. Sanford. The correct time for which he should have been paid is 18 days, as his oath of Office bears date of Augt. 12, back of which date he cannot be paid on your rolls. I have recommended the excess of $5.00 be disallowed you will therefore deposit the amount to the credit of your appropriation for wages of Workmen.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 30, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Referring to Voucher number 7, of your Ordinary expense account for the month ending August 31, 1889, your attention is invited to the Instructions and Regulations of the Mint Service, in regard to the purchase of blank books and stationery. I have approved the expenditure covered by this voucher but in future it will be expected that supplies of this kind will be obtained by timely requisition upon the Department, through this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director

October 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

The Supervising Architect of the Treasury.

is considering some plan for overcoming the obnox-
-ious fumes of the Mint at Philadelphia, which are
objectionable to persons occupying buildings in the
neighborhood. If I recollect aright the same objections
were made to the fumes of your institution and
they were, practically at least, overcome by some
mechanical appliances a year or more ago.

May I ask you to inform me at your earliest
convenience as to what steps were taken to
remove the objections to the acid fumes, some-
-thing in regard to the mechanical appliances used,
such drawings or descriptions, as will enable
an architect to use the same appliances elsewhere
and at the same time what success has been met
with in overcoming the disagreeableness of the fumes
and whether there are still complaints.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper
accounting officers of the Department for examina-
-tion and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery
Expense accounts for the month ending August
31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 30th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the Assayer's report upon assay coins taken from the first and two subsequent deliveries in each week at your Mint during the Month of September, 1889, and forwarded for test as prescribed by the Regulations.

The coins were found to be within the legal limits of tolerance.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

October 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 28th I have to inform you that the records of the Bureau show the books and blanks, to which you refer, to have been mailed to your Mint, July 3rd, July 8th and Sept. 5th. Be kind enough to refer to letters of transmittal for verification of this.

Time books are not kept in the stock of the Bureau and as it will require two months to have one prepared by the Public Printer

you are authorized to have one made.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir.

The Supervising Architect is considering some practicable method of overcoming the obnoxious fumes from the mint at Philadelphia, and I have suggested to him that possibly the zigzag which was put on the chimney of your mint for that purpose might answer at Philadelphia. I will thank you therefore to furnish me at your earliest convenience with a description of the zigzag on your mint, the mechanical construction and any drawings or anything which will enable an architect to introduce the same elsewhere or to have one made on the same general plan.

I would also like to know how it has worked, whether there has been any complaints from the residents in the vicinity from the same and any facts you can suggest in reference to it which would be of value in the premises.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir;

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the quarter

ending Sept. 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 30, 1889.

W. S. Steel Esq.,
Coiner, U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In your letter to the Superintendent of yesterday, you state the amount of gold and silver received during the fiscal year by your department as - gold 267,320.838 oz. - Silver 39,613,985.93 oz.
Mr. Corsa in his report gives the amounts as, gold 267,304.001 oz. - Silver 39,610,334.40 oz.
I will thank you explain, by return mail, the discrepancies.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

October 31, 1889.

Dr. S. K. Tuttle,
Melter & Refiner U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In the statement which you forwarded dated the 26th instant, relative to the operations of your department you give the gold received by you during the fiscal year as 765 876.304 standard ounces - In Mr. Corsa's report on the annual settlement, he states it to have been 765,704.888 standard ounces.
Please inform me by return mail, which is right.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

October 30, 1889.

Lawrence Minot, Esq.
#39 Court Street,
Boston Mass.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 29th instant, you are respectfully informed that the present gold dollar of the United States contains 23.22 grains of pure gold. The actual weight of the coin is 25.8 grains and the fineness .900, that is to say 9/10 of it consists of pure gold and 1/10 of copper.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

Telegram

Collector of Customs
New York.

Please telegraph me to-morrow imports and exports of United States gold coin at your port during month October.

E. O. Leech
Director Mint.

Oct. 30, 1889.

Telegram

Charles F. Bailey
Collector of Customs,
Corpus Christi, Texas.

Telegraph custom house valuation of the gold, silver and lead, separately, contained in ores imported during fiscal year 1889. In your annual statement you have only given ounces and pounds.

E. O. Leech
Director.

October 31, 1889.

The Hon. Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The sample of slag referred to in the communication from Mr. Bailey, Collector of Customs at Corpus Christi, Texas, dated the 17th inst., contains 23½ per cent of metallic lead to the ton and 65½ ounces of silver.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 31, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer-in charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena Mon. for the month ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

Oct. 31st, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary Refinery & Stand. Sil. Bull. Coinage & Storage accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the month ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose

of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

October 31, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Coiner's account-book of the working of Silver.
1 Book Coiner's Gold workings.
1 " " Silver " .
1 Coinage Book.
1 Time Register.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 31, 1889.

Telegram

Confirmed.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer ten thousand seven hundred ounces accepted at ninety-four and three quarter cents, per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 31, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena Mon.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper ac-

-counting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary expense account for the month ending August 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted &:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Ordinary + Refinery + & Stand. Sil. Doll. + Coinage + & Storage + accounts +

Oct. 31, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

Thanking you for your communication of the 30th inst. transmitting the report of your assayer of the sample of slag forwarded by your office for assay, may I trouble you further to inform the Department of the exact metallurgical or commercial nomenclature of the sample sent you, that is, is it an ore, or dross. The Department has but two classifications - ores and dross.

Please inform me which one it would properly, metallurgically, or commercially, belong to.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

October 31, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
Newyork, N. Y.

Sir:

The following blank book for official use has been mailed you this day, viz:
1 Silver Receipt book.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 31, 1889.

Telegram

Supt. Mint,
San Francisco.

Confirmed

Receipts and certificates of silver purchases should be sent to Omaha for signature. Temporary receipt will cover payment of approximate value.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 31, 1889.

John A. Grier, Esq.,
633 N. 40th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of yesterday you are respectfully informed that India has the same system of fineness for its silver coins as for its gold coins, and that the fineness of the Indian Rupee is .916 2/3 same as the gold Mohur.

I received the pamphlet which you sent me on our silver coinage and read the appendix with interest. I will say to you personally (not for publication) that I favor the receipt of silver and payment of its value by certificates instead of coining it, and I would not limit the amount.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Oct. 31, 1889.

Telegram

Confirmed.

Messlage Colgate & Co.
29 Wall Street,
New York.

Your offer declined.
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 1, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Book Coiner's Gold workings
1 Coiner's Gold, delivery book
1 " Check book
1 " working "
1 " Cash "
2 Clippings' books.
2 Ingots' books.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 1st, 1889.

Telegram

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Am awaiting report of Coinage for October. Telegraph immediately.
E. O. Leech
Director.

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November 1st, 1889.

Hon. Whitelaw Reid,
United States Minister,
Paris, France.

Sir:

I would be pleased to receive the reports of the Mint of France covering the year 1888, and subsequent reports as published. The annual reports of this Bureau, both fiscal and on the Production of the Precious Metals are sent regularly to the officer in charge of the mint at Paris. May I ask you to use your good offices to have the mint reports of the French government forwarded regularly to this Bureau, and I shall be happy to reciprocate by sending the publications of this Bureau to your legation and to any of the heads of departments of the French government that you may indicate.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters, except as here noted, addressed to:

Hon. Samuel R. Thayer,
United States Minister,
The Hague, Netherlands.

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of the Mint at Vienna
reports of the Austrian Government
departments of the Austrian Government

Hon. Alex. G. Porter,
United States Minister,
Rome, Italy.

officers of Italy
of the Mints at Rome and Milan.
Mint reports of the Italian Government
departments of the Italian Government

Hon. Thomas W. Palmer,
United States Minister.
Madrid, Spain.

of Spain
of the Mint at Madrid.
Mint reports of the Spanish government
departments of the Spanish government.

The United States Minister,
Lisbon, Portugal.

of Portugal
of the Mint at Lisbon.
Mint reports of the Portuguese government
heads of departments of the Portuguese government

over

November 1st, 1889.

Hon. John F. Swift,
United States Minister,
Tokio, Japan.

Sir:

I would be pleased to receive the reports of the Mints of Japan covering the year 1888, and subsequent reports as published.

The annual reports of this Bureau, both fiscal and on the Production of the Precious Metals, are sent regularly to the officers in charge of the Mints at Tokio and Osaka. May I ask you to use your good offices to have the mint reports of the Japanese government forwarded regularly to this Bureau, and I shall be happy to reciprocate by sending the publications of this Bureau to your legation and to any of the heads of departments of the Japanese government that you may indicate.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4 Doz. Silver Purchase books.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 2, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Forward by mail to day statement showing all the silver received for silver dollar coinage and cost, by months, from July first to November first, four months.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

November 2, 1889.

Telegram.

R. E. Preston
Mint, Philadelphia.

Have finished my report. Would like to see you at Treasury to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 2nd, 1889.

The Editor,
Mining & Scientific Press,
220 Market Street,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith I send you a brief abstract of my annual report for the fiscal year 1889.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.
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Similar letters addressed to:

The Editor,
Journal of Commerce,
76 Beaver Street,
New York, N. Y.

The Editor,
Bankers' Magazine,
251 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

The Editor,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
102 William Street,
New York, N. Y.

The Editor,
Engineering & Mining Journal,
27 Park Place, P. O. Box 1833
New York, N. Y.

The Editor,
New York Tribune,
New York, N. Y.

over

Financial & Mining Record,
61, Broadway.
New York, N. Y.

The Editor of the New York World,
New York,
N. Y.

Nov. 4, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Thirty-one Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty-seven $\frac{30}{100}$ Dollars ($31,467\frac{30}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Two Hundred and Eighty-six $\frac{43}{100}$ Dollars ($286.\frac{43}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Thirty-one Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-three $\frac{73}{100}$ Dollars ($31,753.\frac{73}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated Oct. 31, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 4th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia

be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 4, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense accounts of the Assayers in charge of the U. S. Assay Offices at Charlotte & St. Louis for the month ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

account Assayer
Office at Boise City, T.,

See Certificate on abst. disbursements in case of overcharge.

November 4, 1889

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, T.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounts

-ing Officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary Expense account for the month of Augt. last with my approval except petty bill for telegrams, voucher No. 9, in which two messages are found erroneously charged, one of 32 words from the Asst. Treasurer New York, 83¢, should be 3¢ less. The other from the Asst. Treasurer San Francisco is charged at $1.20 the correct rate being 31¢. I have recommended the overcharge of 92¢ to be disallowed and the amount will be deposited to the credit of the proper appropriation.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 4, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Confirmed.

Peters' offer of fourteen thousand ounces at ninety-five cents accepted.

E. O. Leech,
Director, Mint.

Nov. 4, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. Ca.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending August 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech, Director.

Similar letter, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Nov. 4, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Expense Account with Abstracts and Vouchers for the month ending October 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters, except as here noted, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Medal Fund Account, Quarter

Nov. 4, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of November, 889 has been approved for the sum of $224.10, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your office, during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries, 1890 $224.10,

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters except as noted, (see next page) addressed to:

over

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

$2,050.

Salaries,	1890,	$ 500
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	1300
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	200

Supt. U.S. Assay Office,
New York City.

$6,000.

Salaries,	1890,	$ 3,200
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	2,000
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	850

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

$485.40,

Salaries	1890	$285.40
Wages of Workmen,	1890	
Contingent Expenses,	1890	200.00

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

$2400.00,

Salaries,	1890,	$ 900.
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	1200.
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	300.

Mint

November 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of November, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $45,000.00 payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1890,	$ 5,000.—
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	30,000.—
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	10,000.—

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

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— $20,500. + — + +

Salaries,	1890	$ 3,500.—
Wages of Workmen,	1890	12,000.—
Contingent Expenses,	1890	5,000.—

Nov. 4, 1889.

The Superintendent U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N.Y.

Sir:

Your esteemed favor of the 2nd inst. with enclosure relative to the number of Americans who went abroad during the last fiscal year, has been received, and I beg to thank you for the pains which you have

taken to obtain the very valuable information contained in your communication.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $6,000.00 to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion."

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters, except as to amount, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

$2,500.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

$5,000.

Nov. 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectfully named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Fourth National Bank,
New York, 100,000 Ounces, at $0.9530

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as below noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Fourth National Bank 150,000 Ounces, at $0.9525
Handy & Handy & Harman 100,000 Ounces, at $0.9524
Nesbage Colgate & Co. 100,000 Ounces, at 0.9520

Nov. 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.), and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech, Director.

November 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to-day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $15,000 from the appropriation for the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar, to meet, in part, the expenses of your Mint on account of that coinage during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 4th, 1889.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

C. O. No. 7512 for $113.13, being on account of old material sold October 1889 inclosed in your communication of the 1st inst., has been received, properly indorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury. No personal credit to be given you in your accounts and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt".

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter except as here noted, to same address:

C. O. No. 7511 for $26.— Assay Fees for October 1889

Nov. 4, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Oct. 31, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 11 dated Oct. 26, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $31,831.77/100; charges $78.04/100, and net value $31753.73/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint, at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 4, 1889.

E. E. Sloman Esq.,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 30th ult., relative to a position in the United States assay Office at Deming, New Mexico, you are respectfully informed that no such office has been established, and could only be established by Act of Congress. If such an office should be provided for by Congress the proper place to apply for appointment as assayer in charge of it would be the Treasury Department or the Executive Mansion.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 4th, 1889.

Editor of the World Almanac,
P. O. Box 2297,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find statements requested in your letter of the 24th ultimo.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 4, 1889.

Samuel C. Clarke, Jr.,
Cashier, First Lander Bank,
Lander, Wyoming.

Sir:

Your letter of the 28th ultimo enclosing your check on the Chemical National Bank, New York, in favor of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for $50.- with the request that a like amount in gold dollars, coinage 1889, be sent you, has been received and forwarded to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, with instructions to forward you the coins.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 4, 1889.

John W. Vedenberg, Esq.
Room 6, #102, Washington St.
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

In Compliance with your letter of the 12th instant, I send you by express mail a copy

of Senate Executive Document, No. 3, 50th Congress, 2nd Session, which contains the information you wish up to April 30, 1888, the latest date to which the same has been printed.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 4, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Col.

Your offers declined.
E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 4, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offers for Philadelphia and New Orleans accepted.
E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 4, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
=24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer accepted.
E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram to:
Nesslage, Dolgate & Co.
=29 Wall Street, New York.

Telegram Confirmed.

November 4, 1889.

Fourth National Bank,
New York

Your offer to purchase Philadelphia and New Orleans, accepted. Proceeding page already entered.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Nov. 5th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty $\frac{57}{100}$ Dollars ($17,280\frac{57}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Eighty nine $\frac{18}{100}$ Dollars ($89.\frac{18}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Seventeen Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty-nine $\frac{69}{100}$ Dollars ($17,369.\frac{69}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 2nd, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 5, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will cause a transfer to be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at New York to that of the Mint at Philadelphia, of the

sum of Forty Six Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty nine and 8/100 Dollars ($46,589.8/100) payable in 54,086.66 ounces of Standard Silver Bullion -

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 5, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of O. C. Boshyshell, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Five Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars ($560,000.-) on account of profits on the coinage of Standard silver dollars and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

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F. W. Smyth, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-five Thousand Dollars ($265,000.-) + + + +

+ + + + + + +

November 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

Your acceptance of the offer of J. P. Woodbury to furnish

your Mint for the remainder of the current fiscal year, Sulphuric Acid 62° Baumé has required from time to time at 3¼ ¢ per lb., and pay for the copper solution at the rate of 8 ¢ per pound for the metallic copper contained, is approved.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 5, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Coin one hundred thousand silver dollars and as many double eagles as practicable in November.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 5, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint
Carson, Nev.

Advance purchasing rate of silver 95 ninety five cents per ounce fine. –

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams (exception noted), sent 95:

Supt. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Supt. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

+ + + – + +

ninety five and one fourth cents – +

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Nov. 5th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir.

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 2, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 10, dated Oct. 31, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $17,406.61/100; Charges $36.92/100, and net value $17,369.69/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 5th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge.
U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

As requested in your letters of the 29th ultimo, authority is hereby granted you to subscribe for the "Montana Mining Review" and "Anaconda Standard" from the dates mentioned.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New-York.

Sir:

I have requested that a transfer be made

from the bullion fund of your office to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia of $46,589.81, payable in 54,086.66 ounces of standard silver bullion.

Respectfully, yours
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 5, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has this day been requested to cause the sum of $265000.- to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in your name on account of profits on the coinage of silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of your mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

Similar letter, except as to amount, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

+	+	+	+	+	+
-	$ 560 000	-	+	+	+

November 5, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The number of silver dollars required to be coined at your mint during the month of November is fixed

of one million (1,000,000).

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except amount mentioned, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Two million (2,000,000,).

Nov. 5, 1889.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

C. D. No. 7505 for $845.49, being on account of unexpended balance of appropriation for the coinage of the standard Silver Dollar, inclosed in your communication of the 1st instant, has been received properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Standard Silver Dollar accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriation.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 7506 for $2984.51 unexpended balance of appropriation for wages of Workmen Mint U. S. Philadelphia Pa. 1890 Ordinary

over

C. D. No. 7507 for $ 4952.11, + + unexpended balance of appropriation for Contingent expenses Mint U.S. Philadelphia Pa. 1890.
+ + + Ordinary + + + +

C. D. No. 7508 for $ 1445.56 + + unexpended balance of appropriation for Parting & Refining bullion, + + +
+ + Refinery + + + +

C. D. No. 7509 for $ 4188.37 + + Unexpended balance of appropriation for the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar +
+ + + Standard Silver Dollar + +

C. D. No. 7510 for $ 1612.30 + + unexpended balance of appropriation for Salaries Mint U.S. Philadelphia, 1890 +
+ + + Ordinary + + +
+ + + + + + +

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Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I will thank you to cause to be prepared and forwarded to the mint, at San Francisco, in time to reach there before the close of the current calendar year the following coinage dies for the calendar year 1890, viz:

Ten (10) pairs Double Eagle
Ten (10) " Eagle
Ten (10) " Standard Silver Dollar
Ten (10) " Dimes

I have also to request that you will cause to be prepared and forwarded to the Mint at San Francisco a complete set of reeding tools.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find account of New York Daily Tribune for advertising for proposals for one cent blanks required by your mint, amounting $25.30, which sum is payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your mint for the current fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I will thank you to cause a coinage of $150,000. in dimes to be made at your mint during the current month. In order to enable you to make this coinage without disturbing the trade dollar bullion on hand at your mint, a transfer of worn and uncurrent silver coins will be made you in the course of a few days.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 5, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant in reference to filling orders for one cent bronze pieces from Chicago, you are informed that the

Asst Treasurers in Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis have no stock of one cent bronze pieces on hand in excess of their requirements for office use. You will therefore until further notice, fill orders for one cent bronze pieces from each of the cities named.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at New York to that of your Mint of the sum of $46,589.81, payable in 54,086.66 ounces of standard silver bullion. When received this bullion will be taken up and treated by you as a purchase for the standard silver dollar coinage.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Until further notice the purchasing rate of silver in lots of less than 10,000 ounces at your Mint, will be ninety five cents per ounce fine.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 5th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Coin two hundred thousand silver dollars in November.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 5th, 1889.

Editor of the National Economist,
511, 9th St. N. W.

Sir:

In compliance with your verbal request of to-day I enclose herewith coinage statements for the fiscal year ending June 30th and for the four months ending October 31, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 5, 1889.

F. L. Pierce, Esq.,
#2616 - N. 21 St.
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant you are informed that the 25 cent pieces of 1853 with arrow tip are worth no more than any other 25 cent pieces unless they are uncirculated or proof pieces, in which case numismatists and coin collectors would probably pay a small premium.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 6, 1889.

Telegram

Assayer, Mint,
Denver, Col.

Twenty five thousand dollars sent you on the fourth instant and a like amount yesterday.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 6, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary Expense Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending October 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have this day approved, and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department for examination and Settlement a bill of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, amounting to $6.00, for the manufacture of two seal stamps for the use of your Mint. The amount will be paid from the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1890.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended September 30, 1889, together with the vouchers and abstracts, have been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to day approved and referred for payment your bill amounting to $16.00 for the manufacture of two seal stamps for the use of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans. The amount will be covered by transfer warrant to the credit of the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1890.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 6, 1889

D. C. Boshyshell, Esq.,
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You will please cause one gold life saving medal to be struck, mounted and forwarded to this Bureau as early as practicable with a case for the same. The ribbon used in the mounting of this medal should be red instead of blue as in the case

of the silver medals. It is desired that this medal should be received at this Bureau by the 12th instant.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 15th instant in regard to striking some half and quarter dollars of the current year, you are authorized to cause $6,000.- in halves and $3,000.- in quarters to be struck.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 6, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day viz:
200 Oaths of Office. (Form No. 5815.)
150 Purchases of Silver Bullion.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 6, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

As the Weigh Clerk of your Mint never has an

balance of bullion on hand you will discontinue the transmission of forms #226.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 7, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' Offer of fifteen thousand ounces at ninety five and seven tenths cents per ounce fine accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank books & forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Coiner's Die book
50 Oaths of Office (Form No. 5843.)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter & same address, except as follows:

2 Doz. Gold deposit books.
1 Book Coiner's Silver workings.
1 Doz. Miscellaneous Assay Books.
4 " Gold Ingot and Fine Gold books.
1 Coiner's Silver Journal. 2 Coiners day books.
4 Doz. Silver Ingot books. 2 Doz. Fine silver books.

November 7, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena Montana.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed ypr. this day viz:

1000 Certificates of Gold Deposits. (Form No. 4 G.)
800 Statements of " Bullion " " 13/A.)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 7, 1889

Telegram Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Have blanks referred to in telegram of seventh, printed.

E. O. Leech, Director.

November 7, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant asking to be advised whether you should fill orders for five cent nickels from Chicago, you are informed that on the 5th instant the Assistant Treasurer in that city reported as having on hand over $18,000. in five cent nickels and as the First National Bank does not appear to have made application on the Assistant Treasurer you will return their draft.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 7, 1889.

Mattie Miller,
Minneapolis,
(= 11 West 14th St.), Minnesota.

Madam:-

In reply to your letter of the 26th ultimo, you are informed that the government does not pay any premium for coins but that numismatists and coin dealers pay premium for coins of certain dates which in a measure depend upon their state of preservation. In order to ascertain the premiums paid you should communicate with some coin collector or numismatist.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 7th, 1889.

Publisher, Journal of Commerce
New York City.

Sir:

I will thank you to send one copy of the daily issue of your paper to the Bureau of the Mint, Treasury Department.
Bill for the same will be paid upon presentation.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank books & forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
1000 Memoranda of Silver bullion Purchased.

100 Computing books -

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 7, 1889.

Anglo Californian Bank,
San Francisco, Cal.

Your offer declined.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street
New York.

Nov. 8th, 1889.

William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo, to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., of the sum of Thirteen Thousand Twenty-three $\frac{08}{100}$ Dollars ($13,023.\frac{08}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Three Hundred and one $\frac{10}{100}$ Dollars ($301\frac{10}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Thirteen Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty-four $\frac{18}{100}$ Dollars ($13,324\frac{18}{100}$), being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at

St. Louis as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 5th 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 8, 1889.

The Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Sir:

Your ordinary and refinery expense accounts for the months of July and August, 1889, have been examined in this bureau and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for settlement.

These accounts have received my approval except as to the following payments, viz; Mr. H. C. Manning, abstract clerk, has been overpaid $4.89. His oath of office is dated July 2, and it is the rule of the Department to allow pay only from date of oath. J. H. Heney has been overpaid $13.50 and George McLaughlin, fireman $27.00. There is an error of five cents in the bill of E. B. Rail, dated July 22, Voucher No. 18. The item is for 101½ feet of gas pipe at 18½ cents per foot, - $18.78 - amount paid $18.83.

A disallowance of $45.44, the sum of the above overpayments, has been recommended. As you have already charged yourself in your September account with the overpayments to Messrs. Manning, Heney, and McLaughlin, according to your letter of the 30th ult. it will be necessary for you to charge yourself on your account current for the present month with only the disallowance in the case of the bill of Mr. Rail.

The expenditures embraced in vouchers Nos. 7, 10, 11, 14 and 18 of the ordinary account for the month of July, and Nos. 32 and 37 of the ordinary account for the month of July, and Nos. 32 and 37 of the ordinary account for August are irregular and not

in accordance with the instructions governing the Mint Service.

In regard to the purchase of stationery your attention is directed to article 27 of the Regulations of 1888, which pro-hibits the purchase of stationery and books from private dealers, (see sections 3786 and 3789 Revised Statutes.)

Hereafter no bills for printing, binding or stationery will be allowed in your accounts except in cases in which specific au-thority for the purchase of same was obtained from this bureau.

The purchase of carpets, and extensive repairs of building are regarded as unusual expenditures in the meaning of section 5, article 12 of the Regulations.

In approving the expenditures covered by the accounts for these two months I have taken into consideration the bad condition of the building and furniture as represented in your letter of July 3, last, and the circumstances of the Mint having been so recently transferred to your possession, but in future it is hoped that the requirements of the regulations in regard to the purchase of supplies will be strictly observed.

Very respectfully,

E. O. Leech

Director.

November 8, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,

Denver Colo.

Sir:

Referring to your telegram of yesterday requesting au-thority to have certain blanks printed which rendered a reply by wire necessary, I would respectfully suggest that the expense of the work as well as that for telegrams might have been avoided had requisition been made upon the Department in proper time. With a view to preventing a recur-rence of such a necessity I will thank you to cause your stock to be examined and forward requisition for such blanks and blank books as may be needed.

Respectfully yours,

E. O Leech

Director.

November 8th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nevada.

Sir:

The following coins received at the United States Mint at Carson City during the month of October and forwarded to the Bureau of the Mint for special assay, have been received, viz:

8 Standard Silver dollars	$ 8.00
4 double eagles	80.00
Total	88.00

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters, except as noted below, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

New Orleans

28 Standard Silver dollars	$28.00

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Philadelphia

26 Standard Silver dollars	$26.00
70 Dimes	7.00
Total	33.00

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

at the United States Mint at San Francisco and forwarded to

20 Double eagles	$400.00
8 Eagles	80.00
60 Dimes	6.00
Total	486.00

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the accounts of the Baltimore Copper Smelting and Rolling Company for 40,000 lbs. of Ingot Copper shipped your Mint, amounting to $4,600. Upon receipt of the copper you will forward the company a draft on New York. To enable you to make this payment the sum of $4,600 has been advanced you from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint for the current fiscal year, to be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of November, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $10,200.00, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1890,	$ 2700.
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	5000.
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	2500.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 8, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

As requested, I have to-day asked the Secretary of the Treasury to cause an advance of $6,000 to be made to you from the appropriation for the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar to meet, in part, the expenses of your mint on account of that Coinage, during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 8th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

Please forward by return mail Form 232 for October 31st.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
150 Bonds to accompany Proposals for Mint and Assay Office supplies.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 8, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary and Refinery Expense Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers for the month ending October 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 7th inst. in regard to blank receipts for remittances for minor coin I have to say that requisition was made on the 24th ult. for this blank. They will likely be delivered in a few days and will be sent to you as soon as received, in the meantime it would seem to be but little additional work to have the receipts written for a few days.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Requisition was made by this Bureau on the 15th of September for 6000 blank pay rolls, Form #40, for the stock of the Bureau, and I am informed that they will be delivered in a few

days. A supply will be mailed to your Mint as soon as they are received. If you have any of the defective form, of which you wrote, on hand you can utilize them in making up the smaller rolls of the Mint, at any rate they should not be wasted.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 8, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith find account of the "Inquirer" of your city for advertising for proposals for five cent blanks, amounting to $20.40, payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your Mint for the current fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 8, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 5, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 98, dated Nov. 2, 1889 has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $13,356.$\frac{+3}{100}$, charges $32.$\frac{25}{100}$, and net value $13,324.$\frac{18}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Hon. Robert T. Lincoln,
E. E. and M. P. of the United States,
London, England.

Sir:

I have the honor to request you to have the following official publications by her Majesty's Government sent to the Bureau of the Mint at Washington, D.C., viz:
1st Statistical Abstract of the Several Colonial Possessions; Nos. 25 and 26;
2nd Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and the British Possessions for the year 1888;
3rd The Statistical Abstract of the United Kingdom, Nos. 33 and 34;
4th The English Consular Reports as they are issued.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 8th, 1889.

A. B. Woodford, Esq.,
902 St. Paul Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant you are informed that a history of the various Mints has been published by George G. Evens of Philadelphia.

On pages 144 to 147 of the annual report for 1886 you will find the authority under which each individual coin or class of coins was issued since 1794. A copy of the report of 1886 has been mailed you to-day.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 8, 1889.

B. F. Taylor, Esq.,
Arnite City, La.

Sir:

Your communication of the 5th ultimo has been received and referred to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 8, 1889

To the
Baltimore Copper Smelting & Rolling Company,
Keyser Building,
Baltimore, Md.

Gentlemen:

Your accounts for 40 casks of Ingot Copper shipped the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, have been transmitted to the Superintendent of the institution with instructions to forward you a draft for the amount $4,600.— on the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at New York.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 8th, 1889.

Telegram

Omaha and Grant Smelting & Refining Company,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Price asked is over one cent above market rate. Will give you ninety-six five for one hundred and fifty thousand or two hundred thousand ounces delivered in San Francisco within twenty days. Answer immediately.

E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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November 9, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary, Refinery & Stand. Silver Dol. Coinage & Storage accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the month ending Sept. 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 9, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson Nev. for the two months ending August 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law. Note exceptions on Mark disbursements for month of July.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for exam-

-nation and settlement, your Ordinary Refinery & Stand. Sil. Dol. Coinage & Storage accounts for the month ending September 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

Nov. 9th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco,

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer of New York:

Omaha & Grant
Smelting & Refining Co., 200,000 Ounces, at $0.9650

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 9, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Have purchased Two Hundred Thousand Ounces fine Silver from Omaha and Grant for delivery at your Mint. Rate by mail.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

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November 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Purchases of Silver Bullion.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

+ + 2 books + + + + +

1000 Memoranda of Silver Bullion Deposited.
500 Deposit Sheets of Silver Bullion.
150 M. & R's Check with Supt.
3 Order Books.

+ + + + + +

November 9th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Omaha and Grant Smelting & Refining Co.,
Omaha, Nebraska.

My offer yesterday was ninety-six and a half cents. Your offer at that rate is accepted for two hundred thousand ounces for delivery at San Francisco.

E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 9, 1889.

Mrs. M. L. Gibbs,
Claremore Indian Territory.

Madam:

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant, you are informed that the government pays

no premium on coins of any date - Coin dealers and numismatists, however, pay a premium on coins of certain dates - You should therefore make application to some dealer or numismatist to ascertain if there is any premium on the coin referred to.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 9, 1889.

J. K. Upton, Esq.,
Census Office,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 8th instant, I transmit herewith copy of circulars estimating the value of foreign coins from 1880 to 1889, inclusive.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

We do not keep any sets of these circulars, but I have gathered together this batch for you.
E. O. L.

Nov. 11th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of Treasury of Fifteen Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-two $\frac{33}{100}$ Dollars ($15,152\frac{33}{100}$) in Gold Coin and Two Hundred and Fifty-eight $\frac{09}{100}$ Dollars ($258\frac{09}{100}$)

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in Silver Coin, making a total of Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred and Ten $\frac{42}{100}$ Dollars ($15,410.$\frac{42}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 6th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 11th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Mint at Denver, Colo to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Sixty-five Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven $\frac{85}{100}$ Dollars ($65,887.$\frac{85}{100}$) in Gold Coin and Seven Hundred and Twenty-three $\frac{57}{100}$ Dollars (723\frac{57}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Sixty-six Thousand Six Hundred and Eleven $\frac{36}{100}$ Dollars ($66,611.$\frac{36}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 5th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 11, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, Montana to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty-five 32/100 Dollars ($52,325 32/100) in Gold Coin, and Three Hundred and Ninety-nine 39/100 Dollars ($399.39/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fifty-two Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-four 71/100 Dollars ($52,724 71/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 7, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 11th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at St. Louis to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-nine 71/100 Dollars ($15,669.71/100) in Gold Coin, and Two Hundred and Sixty-six 95/100 Dollars ($266 95/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fifteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-six 66/100 Dollars ($15,936.66/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 7th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech Director.

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November 1, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith one Gold Life Saving Medal struck in compliance with your request of the 5th instant. I also enclose the account of the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia for the same, amounting to Eighty Six 10/100 Dollars ($86.10) for which amount I will thank you to cause a draft to be transmitted in his favor, under cover to this Bureau, as early as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 11, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco be increased in the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($500000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 11, 1889

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit-Memorandum dated Nov. 6, 1889 of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 12 dated Oct. 31st, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $15,449.42; charges $39.00, and net value $15,410.42. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Denver, Colo.

Nov. 5
gross value $66,776.91/100; charges $165.55/100, and net value $66,611.36/100.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Nov. 7
gross value $52,852.05/100, charges $127.34/100, and net value $52,724.71/100.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Nov. 7

over

Shipment No. 99 dated Nov. 4, gross value $15,984.61/100, charges $47 95/100, and net value $15,936.66/100.

Nov. 11, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, T. -

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of November, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $260.80, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Office during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1890	$260.80
Wages of Workmen,	1890	600.00
Contingent Expenses,	1890	
Repairs of building &c.	1890	400.00

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson, Nev.

$9,500.-

Salaries,	1890	$2,500
Wages of Workmen,	1890	5,000
Contingent Expenses,	1890	2,000

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Supt. U.S. Mint
Carson City.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $2,000.- to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion".

Very respectfully
E.O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 11th, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by drafts on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado
Smelting Company 135,000 Ounces, at $0.9585

Respectfully yours,
E.O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, to:

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Handy & Harman 150,000 Ounces, at $0.95875

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Telegram Superintendent Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Yes.

E. O. Leech
Director.

November 11, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Regarding my action in approving the increased compensation of Misses March and Bartley, I desire to say it is not to be taken as a precedent for similar cases in the future. While the promotion of these ladies may be very meritorious, in view of the opinion held by myself as well as the Secretary of the Treasury that the expences of your Mint are out of proportion to the work done, I think our efforts should be in the line of a reduction of expenses rather than an increase.

I have not yet received the Comparative statement I handed you nor a copy of it. I have inquired at the post office and the dead letter office and find that no letter addressed to me, containing that statement, has been received, and I will thank you to forward me a copy of it, as it was prepared at considerable trouble.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 11, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

Upon the receipt of a certified check, or draft for $200.00, you will send by United States Express to T. K. Winne, assistant to the President of the United States Express Co., New York, two-hundred gold dollars of this years coinage. Mr. Winne has been informed to-day that instructions to this effect have been given you.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 11, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 11, 1889.

R. H. Dimond, Esq.
Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your dispatch of the 9th instant requesting that an additional amount be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer at

New York to pay for silver purchases, you are informed that it is unnecessary for you to telegraph for funds to pay for silver, as the Bureau will see that ample amounts are placed to your credit from time to time with the Assistant Treasurer at New York of which you will be duly advised by telegram.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

November 11, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 14th ultimo requesting authority to dispose of the old and obtain new firearms of an improved pattern, you are informed that a request has been made that the same be furnished you by the War Department under authority contained in an act of March 3, 1879.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 11th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Supt. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Am awaiting receipt of statement of silver purchases for first four months of fiscal year requested on second instant.

E. O. Leech,
Director.

Nov. 11th. 1889.

Telegram Superintendent Mint
San Francisco.

Confirmed.

Five Hundred Thousand Dollars placed to your credit at New York to-day.

E. O. Leech
Director.

November 11, 1889.

J. Lidas Esq.,
Cawnee Rock, Kansas,

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant you are informed that 3,000,351 Silver dollars were coined in October 1889, the amount of subsidiary silver coined during the same month was $210,213.35. The number of Silver dollars coined from September 1, 1888, to February 28, 1889, was 14,615,700 and from March 1, 1889 to August 31, 1889, 16,581,160.

The average price paid for silver for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889 was $0.93385 per fine ounce.

During the month of July, 1889, during which the fact that the mints were closed for annual settlement, and for necessary repairs the greater part of the month, only 1,300,000 Silver dollars were coined in that month, which will account for the difference in a great measure between the coinage of Silver dollars for the periods above named.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

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Robert Nolan, Esq.,
#343 East 27th St.
New York.

Sir:

In reply to your postal card of the 10th instant you are informed that the government pays no premium for coins. Numismatists and coin collectors pay a premium for certain coins the amount of which depends upon the rarity of the coin and the state of preservation it is in.

To ascertain what premium if any there would be on the coin referred to, you should make application to some coin collector or dealer.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech

November 11th 1889.

Hon. Isaac B. Morris,
Richmond, Indiana.

Sir:

Thanking you for your interesting address on the silver question before the National Silver Convention at Saint Louis, permit me to call your attention to an error at the bottom of page 10 where you say that the intrinsic value of the silver dollar at 93.95 per ounce fine is 80.75 cents. The intrinsic value of the silver dollar at the price named is 72.6

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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John N. Kedenburg Esq.,
92 Washington St.,
Chicago, Ills.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 7th inst., requesting a table showing the average weekly price paid by this department for silver since the 20th of April, 1888, you are respectfully informed that the propriety of making public the prices paid for silver by the Department is very questionable, and such information is furnished only to Congress.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 11, 1889.

T. R. Wynne, Esq.,
United States Express Co.,
49, Broadway, New York.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th inst., addressed to Mr. E. J. Platt, at his request I have instructed the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to send you two hundred dollars of this year's coinage, upon receipt of a New York draft or a draft on Philadelphia, payable to his order.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 11, 1889.

Telegram

B. F. Butler,
Appleton, Wis. —

When do you expect to report for duty?

E. O. Leech,
Director.

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November 11, 1889.

Rear-Admiral John J. Almy,
1019 Vermont Avenue,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Your communication of the 7th inst., addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, relative to the retention of Mr. Alex Moulton in the Mint at New Orleans, has been referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at New Orleans.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 11, 1889.

Mrs. M. Neff,
943 Hutchinson St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 9th inst. you are informed that your application for a position was referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 11, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Boston and Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.

Your offer of One Hundred and Thirty five Thousand Ounces at ninety five and eighty five hundredths cents, accepted for New Orleans.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 11, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman.
#24 Nassau Street
New York.

Your offer accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 11, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
#29 Wall Street.
New York.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Nov. 12, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary Refinery & Standard Silver Dol. Coinage & Storage accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the month ending October 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of

adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech.
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary and Refinery expense Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Month ending October 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

November 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

At the last session of Congress an appropriation of $60000 was made for the construction of vaults for the storage of Silver at the mints at San Francisco and New Orleans. The Supervising Architect informs me that the amount appropriated will provide 20,000 cubic feet of vault work. Upon plans submitted by the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco I have assigned 11,000 cubic feet to that Mint leaving 9,000 cubic feet for the mint at New Orleans if needed.

I enclose herewith a letter from Superintendent

Montgt- on the subject, together with a diagram of the ground floor of your Mint. From his letter it would appear that there is no pressing necessity for a new vault in your Mint- As this Appropriation has been made by Congress for the specific purpose of Constructing vaults for the Storage of Silver, and limited to the Mints at San Francisco and New Orleans, I presume that it is our duty to submit for the Consideration of the Supervising Architect some plan of what is best to be done to carry out the wish of Congress.

I refer this matter to you for such suggestions as you may think best, and would like you to give it your personal consideration and prompt action.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 12th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

C. D. No. 7515 for $13.75 being on account of balance of appropriation for the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar inclosed in your Communication of the 8th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Standard Silver Dollar accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriation.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

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Nov. 12, 1889.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary, Refinery & Stand. Sil. Dol. Coinage & Storage accounts for the month ending October 31st, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your account for one gold life saving medal forwarded on the 9th instant your attention is respectfully called to the fact that the sum of $66.25 charged for the medals seems to be excessive. Last in January last eighteen gold life saving medals were furnished the department for $872.75 or at an average cost of about $48.48 each. I cannot understand why there should be so great a difference in the cost. Your attention is also called to the fact that the bill of R. S. Davis for mounting the medal $18.- seems to be excessive. I find upon examination that in August last Mr. Davis mounted nine silver medals at a cost of $54.- or $6.- each. Then again the cost for the case appears to be high as Messrs. Reynolds and Butterfield in July last furnished cases with pockets at $1.25 each, while the case furnished by Mr. Davis has no pocket.

I will thank you to furnish an explanation of the difference between cost of medals furnished in January and the one now furnished and to state whether the gold contained in the attachment and pin were furnished by the Mint. You will please take measures to secure rates from manufacturing jewellers at which they will mount life saving medals that may be required by the department in future, also rates for which cases containing pockets will be furnished.

The department requires that the account be itemized differently from the manner in which originally rendered and I enclose herewith a form for that purpose.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 12, 1889.

Telegram

Louis St. Gaudens
270, W. 37th St.
New York.

When may I expect model of Joseph Francis medal. Forward to this Bureau when finished, and as soon as possible.

E. O. Leech,
Director.

Nov. 13, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco

for the Month ending September 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.
Note exception on abstract of disbursements.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 13, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay, Office,
Boise City, T.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary expense Account with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending October 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

November 13, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

2 Melters Receipt books.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to:

Supt., U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

1 Abstract-Clerk's Computation Record.

November 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
New Orleans La.

Sir.

Upon examination I find that your Ordinary and Standard Dollar accounts for the month of September have come to this Bureau in an imperfect condition. There is no "account Current" with either account and no "abstract of disbursements" with Standard Dollar account. The pay-rolls seem to be all right and the vouchers enumerated on the abstract of the Ordinary account have been received. Please see that the missing papers are sent without delay as the final settlement of your accounts is delayed by the oversight.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech.

Nov. 13, 1889.

Supt. Mint, U. S.
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of the Stationery Division Treasury Department for Stationery, shipped you on the 14 of Sept. 1889, amounting to $147.74 payable from the appropriation for Contingent expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1890.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department, your Ordinary and Refinery, expense Accounts for the month of September 1889 with my approval, except petty voucher number four, bill for telegrams, which shows an overcharge of 25¢ on telegram of the 15th, I have recommended the excess to be disallowed, and you will please deposit same to the proper appropriation.

In regard to the purchase of Stationery, of which these accounts contain several vouchers, your attention is called to the Revised Statutes, sections 3786-89 and to article 27, of the Instructions and Regulations of the Mint Service, which positively prohibit the purchase of stationery and books from private dealers, I have approved your accounts believing that the prohibition of the Statutes and Regulations had not been brought to your notice, but hereafter no bills for printing, binding and Stationery will be allowed in your accounts except in cases in which Specific authority has first been obtained from this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your attention is respectfully called to

the fact that it is important that form #193 should be forwarded to this Bureau promptly at the close of each month. As yet the form for October has not been received. I will thank you hereafter to see that this form is promptly forwarded.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 13, 1889.

Hon. John J. Knox,
President, National Bank of the Republic,
New York.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 11th inst. the total coinage of Silver dollars to November 1, 1889, under the act of February 28, 1878, has been $343,638,001.

The amount held by the Treasury, same date, was $283,539,521.

The amount of certificates outstanding $277,319,944.

The number of Silver dollars owned by the Treasury, $6,219,577.

I thank you for your congratulations on my appointment. You shall be among the first furnished with a copy of my report, but I have just received the first proof to day and it will probably not be ready for distribution for several weeks.

Very truly yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 13, 1889.

Richard Lee Fearn, Esq.,
#515 - 14th St. (N.W.)
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I enclose herewith portion of the informa-

-tion requested by you for the Brooklyn Eagle Almanac. The circular of the values of foreign coins is not issued until January 1st, when issued a copy will be mailed you.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 13, 1889.

L. W. Laws, Esq.
Fortress Monroe, Virginia.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 11th instant you are informed that the Treasury Department does not buy coins at a premium. The coin you refer to being a foreign coin, possesses only a bullion value. Your letter has been referred to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 14, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Denver be increased in the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($200000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the First National and Denver National Banks, Denver, Colorado.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 14, 1889.

First Auditor
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U.S. Assay Office at New York for the month ending September 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, to same address:

Final Medal Fund account				
Mint	Philadelphia		Oct. 31	

Nov. 14, 1889.

S. G. Brock, Esq.,
Chief Bureau of Statistics.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the statements, enclosed in your letter of the 11th instant, for your forthcoming Statistical Abstract, with the revised coinage and production.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 14, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your institution be increased by a transfer to it of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($200000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the First National and Denver National Banks, Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts for the month ending September 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter except as here noted, to

Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Final Medal Fund account
Oct. 31

November 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 11th instant in reference to the bills of the U. S. Express Company and requesting that the General manager of the Company be asked to give instructions that will facilitate the delivery of proper vouchers for the transportation of Silver dollars beyond the termini of their lines, you are informed that the Express Company will not be required to furnish a receipt from any Express Company within the territorial limits of the Contract. Their accounts will be rendered to you so as to show the points at which the transfer was made - I enclose for your information blank forms of the express company upon which they will render their accounts.

For the transportation of any silver dollars outside of the territorial limits the express company will furnish sub-vouchers covering the expense.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively) named, which

you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:
Fourth National Bank, New York, 75000 Ounces, at $0.9525.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.,	73,000 Ounces,	at $0.9520
Fourth National Bank,	50,000 Ounces,	at $0.9520
Handy & Harman,	150,000 Ounces,	at $0.9525

November 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find returned letters granting leaves of absence to certain employés pending removal which have evidently been mis-sent, at all events it will not be necessary to forward letters of the kind in future. A letter indicating your action and giving date, when practicable, of final termination of an employés service is all that is required.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 14, 1889.

E. T. Platt, Esq.,
Treasury Agent U. S. Express Company.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of current date you are informed that the Superintendent of the Mint at New Orleans has this day been instructed not to require sub-vouchers for transfer within the territorial limits of your contract provided your accounts are rendered upon the blank forms, a sample of which has been enclosed by you. When transportation of silver dollars is made from the Mints outside of the territorial limits of your contract, it will be necessary, that you should furnish sub-vouchers covering the same.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 14, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offers for Philadelphia and New Orleans accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 14, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
#24, Nassau Street,
New York.

Your Offer accepted.
E. O. Leech; Director, Mint.

Similar telegram sent to:

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

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Telegram Confirmed

Boston and Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colo.,

Your offer declined.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram sent to:

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
#29 Wall Street,
New York.

Nov. 15, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte be increased in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution as follows, viz:

$ $20,000.- with Assistant Treasurer at New York and
5,000.- with Commercial National Bank at Charlotte.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 15, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty-

-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.-) and that $20,000 of this amount be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York and balance of $5,000. with Commercial National Bank at Charlotte.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 15, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
1,000 Letters transmitting checks.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 15th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I return by to-day's mail, in separate package, the ordinary and Standard dollar expense accounts of your mint for the month of October, 1889. The disbursements covered by these accounts were made by your predecessor from funds with which he is charged and the accounts must be rendered by him in order that proper credit may be given him. He must also deposit the unexpended balances of funds advanced him from appropriations, including "parting and refining" and "Standard silver dollar". He should take credit in his October accounts by the certificates of deposit covering the unexpended balances. If you have inadvertently received from Mr. Montigut-

the balances of appropriations on hand October 31st, the amounts must be deposited in his name as in-dicated.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 15th, 1869.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Penna.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 14th instant in reference to uncurrent minor coin ingots now on hand at your mint, you are informed that this metal should be converted into coin as early as practicable and to this extent avoid the purchase of new material for minor coinage.

I am verbally informed today by the Treasurer of the United States that the stock of 5-cent nickel pieces at the Sub-Treasury, at New York is ex-hausted, and that it is necessary that he should draw a transfer order on you for $10,000 in 5-cent nickels for that office. It is desirable that this order should be paid by you as early as practicable in order to obviate, if possible, the removal of the restriction on shipments of 5-cent nickels from the mint to the city of New York.

In this connection, I have also to request that you will convert into dimes at as early a date as practicable the balance of silver bullion resulting from the melting of worn and uncurrent silver coins transferred to you.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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November 15th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Sir:

It will be necessary for you to coin before the holiday season - say the 15th proximo, - at least $50,000.- in 5-cent nickels and $25,000 in 1-cent bronze pieces, in addition to outstanding orders.

You will therefore notify the Contractors that they must deliver the blanks in sufficient quantities to insure the coinage of the above named sums, & that the demand for the holiday trade may be promptly met.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Authority to purchase a Type-writer with the necessary appurtenances belonging thereto, including suitable paper, is hereby granted you. Permission is also granted to purchase a book in which to register applications for appointments as requested.

The expenditure incurred in renewing the oil-cloth floor covering of the Chief Clerk's and Book Keeper's rooms will be approved.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Messrs. Rand McNally & Co.
148 Monroe St.,
Chicago, Ills.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your favor of the 13th instant, you are informed that my report for the fiscal year 1889 has not been published as yet, and will probably not be received from the printer for several weeks.

I take pleasure, however, in sending you a very full abstract of the report, the same that was furnished to a few financial papers.

I also forward a statement of the production of silver in the United States, since 1878, compiled by calendar years, as no estimate of the product of the mines is made for fiscal years.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 15, 1889.

Hon. T. G. Symes:

Acknowledging the receipt of your favor of the 9th inst, you are respectfully informed that my report is not yet published. As soon as it is a copy will be mailed you. Replying to your interrogatory, the stock of gold and silver in the United States on November 1, 1889, including bullion in the mints, was estimated to have been:

Gold	$684,194,686
Silver	431,184,953
Total	1,115,379,639

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech, Director

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Hon. John F. Swift.
U. S. Minister to Japan,
Tokio, Japan.

Sir:

Your esteemed favor of the 10th ultimo, transmitting the replies to the interrogatories contained in the circular of the Department of State dated December 17, 1888, has been received at this Bureau.

May I ask you to see that the replies for future years are transmitted at an earlier date as the report of this bureau, in which the information contained is published, is required by the Secretary in October of each year.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 15, 1889.

Leslie Griffin, Esq.
Shelby, Mich.

Sir:

In reply to your postal of the 12th instant, you are informed that the government does not pay a premium on any coins.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 16th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colorado to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia,

of the sum of Forty-six Thousand Three Hundred and six $\frac{92}{100}$ Dollars ($46,306.\frac{92}{100}$) in Gold Coin and Five Hundred and Fifty-four $\frac{25}{100}$ Dollars ($554.\frac{25}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty six Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-one $\frac{17}{100}$ Dollars ($46,861.\frac{17}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 13th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 16th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis be increased in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at St. Louis.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 16, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the St. L. Mint

at Denver Colo. for the month ending September 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted to same address,

Ordinary and Refinery Expense accounts
Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nev.

Nov. 16th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Confirmations & telegrams.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary & Refinery expense accounts for the month ending September 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech, Director.

Similar letter, except as noted; see next page:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint
Denver, Colo.

Ordinary expense account

Nov. 16, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 13th, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 13, dated Nov. 9, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $46,979.90/100; Charges $118.73/100, and net value $46,861.17/100; For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 16th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your communication of the 12th instant, relative to construction of new vaults for storage of silver dollars, has been referred to the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, with the recommendation, that steps be taken immediately, towards providing 9,000 cubic feet of vault-work for your mint, payable from the appropriation for "vaults for storage of silver by Act March 2, 1889."

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 15th instant relative to the proposition of Mr. Joseph Wharton to furnish 50,000 pounds of cent blanks, and from 5000 to 6000 pounds of nickel blanks, left over from his recent contract, you are hereby authorized to receive the same at the rates paid under the present contract with Merchant & Co.

No higher rate than that at present paid will be allowed.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 16, 1889.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I return herewith the account of the U. S. Express Company for the month of May for the transportation of silver dollars and have to request that you will cause the express company to state thereon the point at which transfer was made in each case where two minimums are charged.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Acknowledging the receipt of your communication of the 11th inst., and also of your telegram

of the same date, giving the silver purchases at your Mint for the first four months of the present fiscal year, you are respectfully informed that the following telegram was sent you November 2, 1889, :

"Forward by mail to day, statement showing all the silver received for silver dollar coinage and cost, by months, from July first to November first, four months."

I will thank you to ascertain and report to this bureau whether this telegram was received at your mint, and if so, why the statement requested was not forwarded by mail. I would say that the information called for by this telegram was for use by the Secretary of the Treasury in connection with his annual report, and that similar information was promptly forwarded from Carson and the other coinage mints, and the delay in receiving the information from your mint occasioned no little annoyance to the Department, especially as the amount telegraphed was not correct, as shown by your monthly statement of purchases.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 16, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I return herewith form #193 for July, August, September and October in order that you may include the amount of charges on silver deposits collected and purchased for the dollar coinage. Hereafter you will please see that the amount of charges collected and purchased are entered monthly on this form.

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Your telegram of the 11th instant gives the amount of purchases for the four months as 228,018 oz. Cost $295,118.-. The amount given on these forms is 228,021.64 oz.- Cost $295,121.71.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 16th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank books & forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Memoranda of Silver bullion Deposited.
500 " " " Purchased.
50 Computing books.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 16, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, ($25,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at St. Louis.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

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W. M. Riggs, Esq.,
Cashier, Central Savings Bank,
St. Joseph, Mo.

Sir:

Your letter of the 13th instant enclosing draft on the Hanover National Bank for $100.- and requesting that this amount in pennies be returned you, has been received and referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to whom it should have been addressed. In due course of business the pennies will be forwarded to you by him.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 16, 1889.

E. Hammett, Jr., Esq.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Sir:

In reply to your postal in reference to proof sets I enclose herewith circular which will give you the desired information.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 18th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Mont. to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa, of the sum of Forty-one Thousand Eight Hundred

and ninety-four $\frac{57}{100}$ Dollars ($41,894.$\frac{57}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Twelve Hundred and $\frac{87}{100}$ Dollars ($1200.$\frac{87}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-three Thousand and Ninety-five $\frac{35}{100}$ Dollars ($43,095.$\frac{35}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 14th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 18, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

You were informed under date of the 16th ultimo, in reply to your letter of the 9th, that stationery could be furnished to you only on your own requisition and a supply of blanks was enclosed to you to enable you to make requisition regularly upon the Stationery division of the Department.

The Bureau can supply you with blank books and forms by requisition upon the public printer but its requisitions for stationery, to be used by the Mints and assay Offices, cannot be honored. The reason is that the blank books and forms are furnished gratuitously, while stationery is paid for from your appropriation for contingent expenses. The object of obtaining your stationery from the Department is the great saving that can be effected thereby in consequence of advantageous contracts.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 18, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer declined.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Nov. 18, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.:

Sir:

I return herewith, bond of William Still, recently appointed Helper in your office, together with the necessary blanks to enable him to execute another. It is defective as will be seen by the pencil notes on the bond, but wholly invalid in not being accompanied by the necessary affidavits of surety.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 18th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1000 Statements of Checks drawn. (Form No. 261 B.)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 18th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 14, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 13 dated Nov. 9th, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $43,213.70/100; charges $118.35/100, and net value $43,095.35/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 18th, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1000 Gold Bullion Slips (Form No. 39 D.)
500 Memoranda of Gold Bullion " " 42 D)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 18, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I return herewith your account for one set of reeding tools manufactured for the U. S. Mint at San Francisco with the request that you will cause

the time and material to be stated separately.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 18, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 16th instant enclosing a letter from the Assistant Treasurer at Baltimore in reference to a supply of minor coins you are authorized to fill orders for five cent nickels from Baltimore until further notice.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 18, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find account of the "Tribune", New York, for advertising for proposals for bronze one cent blanks, amounting to $30.60, which sum is payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint for the current fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 18, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer received too late and is declined.
Offers received after one P.M. not considered.
E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 18, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer declined.
E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Nov. 19th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City be increased in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.
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Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Fifty Thousand Dollars, ($50,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of the Baltimore Copper Smelting and Rolling Co. for 20000 lbs. of Ingot Copper shipped you on the 6th of Sept. ult. amounting to $2900.00 payable from the appro'priation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint fiscal year 1890.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Telegram

November 19, 1889.

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Confirmed

Forward your requisition for dies for calendar year eighteen hundred and ninety, without delay.

R. E. Preston
Act'g Director, Mint.

November 19, 1889.

Telegram

Confirmed

Superintendent Mint.
Carson, Nev.

Pay local rate for silver until Thursday. Try and pay gold coin as far as possible over counter and state lowest amount you will require at San Francisco.

R. E. Preston
For Director, Mint.

November 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

You will please forward your requisition for dies for the calendar year 1890 without delay.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech.
Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

In compliance with request contained in your letter of the 18th instant and for the reason therein stated you are authorized to strengthen the floor of the assay department weigh-room in accordance with the plans approved by the Supervising Architect, at a cost not exceeding $375.- taking care to obtain bids from responsible parties. Payment for the work to be done will be from your appropriation for contingent expenses for the current fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

November 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 18th instant in regard to the allotment of coinage for your mint for December, you are informed that I can not at present decide as to the amount of Silver dollars to be coined in December but in reference to dimes I will say that in order to meet the demands of the Treasury it will be necessary for you to coin at least $100,000.- of that denomination by the 15th of December on account of the quota for the month. I am informed by the Treasurer that the stock of Dimes is small in all the Sub-Treasuries and as it is very important to avoid complaints from the business community, you will take such measures as will insure a coinage of at least $100,000.- of that denomination on account of the quota for December by the 15th of that month.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In compliance with request contained in your letter of the 18th instant you are authorized to purchase 750lbs. of new nickel to enable you to convert the nickel one cent metal now on hand into five cent ingots. You will take care to obtain the same at the lowest market price for nickel suitable for the purpose.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the account of the "Bulletin" of your city for advertising for proposals for five cent copper nickel blanks, amounting to $16.20, payable from your appropriation for Contingent Expenses for the current fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 19th, 1889.

Telegram

Omaha and Grant Smelting and Refining Co.
Omaha, Neb.

Will consider an offer on Thursday for sale of from one hundred thousand to two hundred thousand ounces of silver for San Francisco.

E. O. Leech.
Director.

November 19, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

You will pay the price authorized for lots of less than ten thousand ounces.

E. O. Leech
Director.

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Nov. 20, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in charge of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, Mon. for the month ending September 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

November 29, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of the 18th inst, relative to the purchase of a new desk and chair for your office, you are authorized to purchase the same from your contingent appropriation. In this connection I would say that all the letters that you have addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury in regard to new furniture for your building were referred to this bureau, and I recommended that such furniture and fixtures as you requested for the business portion of your office be purchased by the Treasury Department.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Nov. 20, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of the St. Paul Pioneer Press Company for subscription for one year to January 1, 1890, amounting to $10.00 payable from the appropriation for collection of mining statistics. This subscription will not be renewed and no other outside of your own city will be made unless specially authorized.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 20, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary expense account for the month ending September 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 20, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $350.00, to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection

with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion."

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 20, 1889.

Late Superintendent, U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended September 30, 1889, on abstract of silver purchases, deposit number 20, July 20th the charge of $2.73 is imposed for refining; the charge should be $2.05. I will thank you to explain how this discrepancy occurred.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 20, 1889.

W. L. Maxwell,
489, Washington Ave.
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 25, relative to an appointment in the Philadelphia mint, you are informed that the proper mode of procedure is to apply to the Superintendent of the mint in that city -

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 21, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Ordinary Expense accounts of the Assayers in charge of the U. S. Assay Offices at Boise Charlotte & St. Louis for the month ending September 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Note certificate on Boise Abst. of disbursements.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 21, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary expense account for the month ending September 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters, except as noted, addressed to:

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay, Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay, Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

+ except voucher #7 bill for charcoal which shows an overpayment of 10¢ which I have recommended to be disallowed. + +

November 21, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer of fifty nine thousand ounces at ninety five and 5 four tenths cents per ounce fine, accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 21, 1889.

Supt., U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 20th instant in reference to remittances from St. Louis for five cent nickel coins you are informed that the stock in the Sub-Treasury, in that city is exhausted and you are authorized until further notice to fill orders received from St. Louis for five cent nickel pieces.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 21, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Reports of Register of Deposits.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 21st, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Co. 100,000 Ounces, at $0.9625

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 135,000 Ounces, at $0.9660.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

Telegram Confirmed

November 21, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Have purchased two hundred thousand ounces from Omaha and Grant and one hundred thirty five thousand ounces from Boston and Colorado Smelting Company for your Mint. Rate by mail. Pay approximate value promptly.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Telegram Confirmed

November 21, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Only one hundred thousand ounces purchased from Omaha and Grant to-day.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 21, 1889.

Telegram

Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Company,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Your offer for San Francisco accepted for two hundred thousand ounces.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 21, 1889.

Telegram

Omaha and Grant Smelting and Refining Company,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Confirmed

Superintendent Mint at San Francisco instructed to receive one hundred thousand ounces from you on your sale of 5-day.

E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

November 21, 1889.

Telegram

Boston and Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Col.

Confirmed

Your offer of one hundred and thirty-five thousand ounces accepted for San Francisco at ninety six and six tenths cents per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech,
Director, Mint.

November 21, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Fourth National Bank
New York.

Your offers declined.

E. O. Leech, Director, Mint.

Nov. 22, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

The following blank forms & books for official use have been mailed you this day viz:

6 Calculation Blotters. (Form No. 81)
25 Statements Form No. 60 Monthly
5 " " " " Fiscal year
5 " " " " Calendar "
25 " " " 61 Monthly
5 " " " " Fiscal year
5 " " " " Calendar "
25 " " " 61/2 Monthly
5 " " " " Fiscal year
5 " " " " Calendar "
50 Monthly statements of Balances of Bullion & Coin. (Form No. 249)
50 Statements of Balances, Receipts & Payments " " 224
20 Bullion Accounts of the Assayer in Charge " " 10
50 Statements of Account Current " " 54
5 Registers of Deposits of Gold Bullion " " 188 5.
50 Abstracts of Petty Expences " " 53 B.
" " " Disbursements " " 53 A.
100 Officers & Clerks Pay-Rolls " " 47
100 Pay-Rolls Workmen " " 48
1000 Daily Statements " " 250
50 Requisitions of Funds " " 56 a

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I return herewith medal fund vouchers signed

in duplicate for one gold life saving medal forwarded by you on the 9th instant. I also hand you herewith letter of the Superintendent of the Life Saving Service enclosing check of George A. Bartlett, Disbursing Clerk on the Assistant Treasurer at New York for $86.00 in payment of above named medal.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 22nd, 1889.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

While Mr. Jno. Jay Knox, President of the Bank of the Republic, was in the city a few days ago he informed me that he would probably desire a set of proof coins for the Bank of England. If he applies to you for them you will furnish him with a handsome set for that purpose. Of course he will pay for them.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 21st instant, you are authorized to fill orders received from Chicago for one cent bronze and five cent nickel pieces until further notice.

Respectfully, yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Telegram

Confirmed

Omaha & Grant Smelting Co.

Omaha, Neb.

Your offer of yesterday for San Francisco was accepted for two hundred thousand ounces at ninety-six five eighths, before receipt of your second message limiting quantity to one-hundred thousand ounces, at that rate.

We then telegraphed you, your offer for San Francisco accepted for one-hundred thousand ounces. The price the Department will pay is ninety-six, five eighths. You will deliver within twenty days.

E. O. Leech

Director.

Nov. 23, 1889.

First Auditor,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco for the month ending October 31, 1889. ~~the month ending October 31, 1889~~, rendered in one for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,

E. O. Leech

Director of the Mint.

Nov. 23, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,

Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion

fund of the United States Mint at San Francisco be increased in the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($500,000.-) & by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at New York

Very respectfully
E.O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 23, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson be increased in the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at San Francisco, by telegraph.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 23, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4 Registers of Deposits.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech, Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to:

Supt. U.S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

+ + 2 Weigh Clerks Account books. + + + +

Nov. 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant-Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco, in gold coin, by telegraph.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter except as to amount, &c., to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500000.-)
Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Nov. 23, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

2 Books Gold Mint Receipts. (Form No. 7 E.)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 23, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte N. C.

Sir:

Your communication of the 21st instant, concerning furniture and fixtures for your office, has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury with the request that the matter be given favorable consideration.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 23, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

From the returns of the First National Bank of Helena, Mon. to the Treasury of the United States of amounts to the credit of disbursing officers it appears that there is about $34,000. to your official credit. In view of the fact that considerable amounts are required for Army and Indian disbursements which it is desirable should be placed to the credit of the proper officers with the First National Bank, the Treasurer has found it impracticable owing to the large balance to your credit, to comply with the wishes of the War and Interior Departments in regard to placing funds to the credit of their officers, with this bank. I do not regard it as necessary that you should have so large a balance on hand at Helena. You will therefore make payment for deposits and

reduce the same & enable the Treasury & meet as far as practicable demands upon it for funds & be placed & the credit of disbursing officers with the First National Bank.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 23, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

In reply & your letter of the 18th instant requesting that there be forwarded & you two flags with forty-two stars upon them, you are informed that these flags can not be furnished by the department until after July next when if you make requisition, they will be furnished. I do not regard the pennant you request as necessary.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Treasury Agent of the U. S. Express Company inclosing account for the river transportation of $35,000 silver dollars from New Orleans & Key West Fla. from April & September, 1889, amounting & $78.75. The Agent of the Express Company states that you have declined & pay this account

for the reason that they had presented duplicate instead of original vouchers for this service. The agent informs me that they are unable to produce the original vouchers. Under the circumstances you are authorized to pay the amount from your silver profit fund upon the duplicate vouchers, referring to this letter as your authority for so doing.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 23, 1889.

Supt. Mint U. S.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Returned herewith please find sample forms of letters with which you requested in your letter of yesterday to be furnished.

The Department could not supply them to you in time you are therefore authorized to have them printed. To save unnecessary expense I would suggest the use of ordinary paper, similar to that used by the Government printer.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 22nd inst. you are instructed to pay all bills for supplies and in connection with the operations of the

Deposit melting room of your mint from the appropriation for Parting and Refining bullion.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 23, 1889.

Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You will please cause to be prepared and forwarded to the Mint at New Orleans ten (10) pairs of silver dollar dies for the calendar year 1890.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

November 23, 1889.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I return herewith the account of the U. S. Express Company for the transportation in June, July, August and September, filed with your bullion accounts, with the request that where two minimums were paid, the point of transfer may be entered on the account.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery expense account for the month ending October 31st 1889, with my approval. In relation to vouchers #88 and #102, attention is called to letter of the 13th inst. The authority of this Bureau should have been obtained before making the purchase covered by voucher #171. (See Section 5, article 12. Instructions and Regulations of 1888.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 28, 1889.

E. T. Platt, Esq.
Treasury Agent U. S. Express Company.
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of the 22nd instant enclosing the account of your Company for river transportation of silver dollars from New Orleans to Key West, Fla. from April to September, 1889, amounting to $78.75 and in which it is stated that the Superintendent of the Mint at New Orleans declines to pay for the reason that you are unable to present original vouchers for the amount, you are informed that I have this day instructed the Superintendent to pay the account upon its presentation with duplicate

vouchers attached.

The account is herewith returned.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 25, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty four 77/100 Dollars, ($13,964.77/100) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Fifty-three 17/100 Dollars ($153 17/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fourteen Thousand One Hundred and Seventeen 94/100 Dollars, ($14,117.94/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 21, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited aforesaid Mint.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

November 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 9th instant making request for coinage dies required during the calendar year 1890 and have directed the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to cause ten (10) pairs of double eagle and

twenty (20) pairs of standard silver dollar dies to be sent you. No smaller gold coin than the double eagle will be struck at your mint until further notice.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 25, 1889.

Assayer in charge U. S. Assay Office,
Helena.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 21, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, shipment No. 14 dated Nov. 16th 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau and the gross value found to be $14,150.$\frac{33}{100}$, charges $32.$\frac{39}{100}$ and net value $14,117.$\frac{94}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 25, 1889.

Assayer in Charge
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 20th instant, authority is hereby given for the purchase of the carpet as described and at a cost not exceeding the amount mentioned in your letter.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 25, 1889.

Telegram

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Confirmed.

Have Montegut's balances of appropriations been deposited in the Treasury.

E. O. Leech,
Director.

Nov. 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
1000 Statements of Cashier's daily balances.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

November 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You will please cause to be prepared and forwarded to the U. S. Mint at Carson the following coinage dies for the calendar year 1890.

Double Eagle — Ten (10) pairs.
Standard Silver Dollar — Twenty (20) pairs.

The Superintendent of the Mint requests that the dies may not be hardened as they

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prefer to harden them there.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 25, 1889.

Brig. Gen'l. John C. Kelton,
Adjutant General U. S. A.

Sir:

I have to request that you will furnish this Bureau with three copies of the latest edition of Official Table of Distances, published by the War Department.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 25, 1889.

Miss Gracie Shields,
4949 Walter St., Whitehall,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss:

Replying to your communication of August 19th, relative to a position in the Philadelphia mint, you are respectfully informed that your application has been referred to the Superintendent of the Mint in that city.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 25, 1889.

Telegram

Louis St. Gaudens,
270 W. 37th St., New York.

Have not received model of "Joseph Francis" medal, When will it be forwarded.

E. O. Leech, Director.

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Telegram Confirmed.

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau St., New York.

Your offer declined.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 26th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boise City to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the Sum of Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty-Two $\frac{57}{100}$ Dollars ($19,562.\frac{57}{100}$) in Gold Coin and Two Hundred and Ninety-six $\frac{30}{100}$ Dollars ($296.\frac{30}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-eight $\frac{81}{100}$ Dollars ($19,858.\frac{81}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Boise City, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 22nd, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 26, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Standard Silver

Dollar expense, accounts of the late Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at New Orleans for the month ending September 30, 1889, rendered Some for the purpose of adjustment as required by law. Note recommendation on Abst. of disbursements, S.S. Doll. Acct. in matter of error in footing of payroll.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 26th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 22, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 13 dated Nov. 16th, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $19,909.$\frac{40}{100}$; charges $50.$\frac{59}{100}$, and net value $19,858.$\frac{81}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully, yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 26, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer of twenty thousand ounces at ninety-six and one half cents accepted.

E. O. Leech, Director, Mint.

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Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Advance purchasing rate of Silver 85 ninety-six and one half cents per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech
Director Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Supt. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Nov. 26, 1889.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary & Standard Silver Dollar accounts for the month ending September 30, 1889, with my approval. In the latter account you took credit with $10.00 less than you were entitled to - due to an erroneous footing of the Columns for extra time.

As your balances have been deposited this amount will be found due you in the final settlement of your accounts.

E. O. Leech,
Director.

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Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Until further notice the purchasing rate of silver in lots of less than ten thousand ounces at your Mint will be 96½ cents per ounce fine.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
1 Book of Coiner's Gold workings.
1 Record of Silver Purchase Certificates.
1 " " " Deposit "
1 Report of Gold Deposits
1 Cashier's Vault book.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Mrs. Johnson,
127 6th St. N. E.
Washington, D.C.

Madam:

The model of the obverse of the medal to be struck to Joseph Francis, showing bust, has been received, and Mr. Francis can see it at the Bureau of the Mint.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 26, 1889.

Mrs. Frances T. Robins,
P.O. Box 567
Saginaw City, Michigan.

Madam:

Replying to your communication of the 19th inst., relative to a position in the Mint service, you are respectfully informed that the proper course of procedure is to make your application to the Superintendent of the Mint in which you seek service.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 26, 1889.

To the
American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Gentlemen:

Thursday being a holiday, offers for the sale of silver will be received and considered on Friday, the 29th, at the usual hour.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

Similar letters addressed to:

Messrs. Clark Dodge & Co.,
#51 Wall Street,
New York.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

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Handy & Harriman,
24 Nassau St.
New York.

Gentlemen:

Thursday being a holiday offers for the sale of Silver will be received and Considered at the usual hour on Friday the 29th instant.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to:

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Zimmermann & Forshay,
New York.

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G. J. Niles, Esq.,
Bozeman, Montana.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 19th instant you are informed that the five dollar gold coin you have, the mint mark of which is the letter D, was struck at the U. S. branch Mint at Dahlonega, Georgia. No coinage has been executed at this place since January, 1861 and the same is no longer a Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 27th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 21st instant, I send you by 5-days mail a copy of Official Table of Distances published by the War Department.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Pay-Rolls (Form No. 48)

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 27, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4 Registers of Deposits
1 Book of Silver Deposits Received
1 " " " Purchases "
1 Weigh Clerk's book of Deposits of Gold Bullion Form No. 189 B.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Telegram

Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Co.
Omaha, Neb.

Will consider an offer Tomorrow for sale of from One hundred Thousand to two hundred thousand ounces for San Francisco.

E. O. Leech,
Director, Mint.

Nov. 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Superintendent Mint.
Carson.

Offer of Peters declined.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 29th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 70,000 Ounces, at $0.9660

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

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Handy & Harman, 200,000 Ounces, at $0.9640.

November 29th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 27th instant relative to hardening the dies ordered for the mint at Carson for the calendar year 1890, inasmuch as the Superintendent of the mint at Carson requests that they be sent to you, you will comply with his wish.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 29th 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Your letter of the 27th instant enclosing bids received for 20 lbs. Melter and Refiner's Sweeps is received.
The bid of the Chicago and Aurora Smelting and Refining Company being the highest your acceptance of the same is approved.
The bids are returned herewith.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Supt. Assay Office,
New York.

Send price of sterling exchange immediately.
E. O. Leech
Director.

November 29th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Omaha and Grant Smelting and Refining Co.
Omaha, Nebraska.

Will accept two hundred thousand ounces for San Francisco at ninety-seven cents per ounce fine. Answer.

R. E. Preston
For Director.

Nov. 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company,
Denver, Colorado.

Your offer of twenty thousand ounces at ninety-six and sixty hundredths cents per ounce fine, accepted for New Orleans.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Handy and Harman,
24 Nassau Street
New York.

Your offer accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 30, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement the Ordinary Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar accounts of the late Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans La., for the months ending October 31

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1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.
Note recommendation on abst. of disbursements Ordinary account.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Nov. 30, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of December 1889, has been approved for the sum of $2400.00, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries	1890,	$900.
Wages of Workmen	1890,	1200.
Contingent Expenses	1890,	300

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed D:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

+ + + + + + +

+ $2000.00 + + + your office +

Salaries,	1890,	$700.
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	1,000.
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	300.

November 30, 1889.

late Supt., U.S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

C. D. No. 113 for $9456.09 being on account of unexpended balances of appropriations U. S. Mint, New Orleans, 1890, & appropriations for the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar & Parting & Refining bullion, enclosed in your communication of the 25th instant, has been received properly endorsed and forwarded & the Secretary of the Treasury personal credit is to be given you in your Ordinary Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar accounts, and the amount is to be covered into the Treasury & to the credit of the appropriations as fol- as per your ltr
-lows: Salaries $1421.10, Wages of Workmen $396.75, Contingent Expenses $2203.92, Parting & Refining Bullion $.02, Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar $2434.30.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 30, 1889.

late Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary & Refinery, and Standard Silver Dollar accounts for the month ending October 31, 1889, with my approval, except pay-roll of the General department upon which R. R. Thomas, Chief Conductor, has been overpaid $7.00. I have recommended this amount to be disallowed and you will be required to deposit same to the proper appropriation.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank book for official use, has been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Book - Locality Report of Gold + Silver.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 30th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day at the Department by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Omaha & Grant
Smelting & Refining Co. 200,000 Ounces, at $0.9700.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 30th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Superintendent, Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Have purchased two hundred thousand ounces from Omaha and Grant for your mint. Rate by mail. Make arrangements to coin five hundred thousand silver dollars in December.

E. O. Leech
Director.

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November 30, 1889.

Louis St. Gaudens, Esq.,
148 West 36th St.
New York.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of two boxes, one containing the obverse and the other the reverse of the Joseph Francis medal. The model of the reverse was found to be slightly broken on the edge, when the box was opened, but not sufficiently damaged to be a matter of any moment.

I will communicate with the Library Committee at once in regard to the execution of the medal.

Mr. Francis was very much pleased with the obverse model; he has not seen the reverse as yet.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

Nov. 30, 1889.

Wilson W. Walter, Esq.,
Lowell
Summers Co. W. Va.

Sir:

You are informed that assays of ores are not made by this Bureau.

The sample enclosed is Pyrites of Iron and is of no value.

The specimen is returned herewith.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

November 30th, 1889.

The Publisher of the Tribune,
New York, N.Y.

Sir:

I will thank you to forward to this Bureau from receipt hereof the daily "Tribune", including the Sunday edition for one year, transmitting your account for the same for settlement.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

November 30th, 1889.

The Evening Post Publishing Company,
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

I desire to renew the subscription to this Bureau of the daily Evening Post for one year.

Please forward your account for the same.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 2, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Mint at Denver, Colo. to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., of the sum of Forty-five Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy-four $\frac{66}{100}$ Dollars, ($45,274.66/100.) in Gold Coin, and Four Hundred and Seventy — $\frac{31}{100}$ Dollars ($470.31/100,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-five Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-four $\frac{97}{100}$ Dollars, ($45,744.97/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded

by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 26th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 2, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 2nd, 1889.

Telegram. Confirmed.

Supt. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Coin one hundred and fifty thousand silver dollars in December and as many double eagles as practicable. Coinage for November not received; telegraph immediately.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Telegram Confirmed

Dec. 2nd, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson.

Peters' offer of forty thousand ounces at ninety six and eight tenths cents, and Williams' of twelve thousand ounces at ninety six and nine tenth cents, per ounce fine, accepted.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 2, 1889.

Assayer in charge U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 26, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 14 dated Nov. 22nd, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $45,860 56/100, charges $115.59/100 and net value $45,744.97/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the Bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech Director

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Dec. 2d, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Handy & Harman 25,000 Ounces, at $0.9680
Nesslage Colgate & Co, 100,000 Ounces, at $0.9700
Fourth National Bank, 100,000 Ounces, at $0.9700

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Fourth National Bank 50,000 Ounces, at $0.97
Boston & Colorado Smelting Company, 70,000 Ounces, at $0.97

December 2, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:
Error in telegram. November coinage. Items disagree with total. Correct immediately.

E. O. Leech
Director.

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Hon. Wm M. Evarts,
Chairman, Committee on Library,
United States Senate.

Sir:

I have received from Mr. Louis St. Gaudens the models of the Joseph Francis medal. May I ask you to call at my office, when convenient, and examine the same, so that, if satisfactory, we may proceed to have the dies engraved and the medal struck.

As Mr. Francis is well advanced in years his friends are anxious that the work should be pushed, and my desire is to comply with their wishes as far as practicable.

I will take no action in the matter until I see you.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 2, 1889.

Louis St. Gaudens, Esq.,
148 West 36th Street,
New York.

Sir:

From an examination of the reverse of the model of the "Joseph Francis" medal it would appear that the strip cylinder on the life boat has the appearance of a hand rail. I presume that this can be remedied by the die cutter.

May I ask you to forward to this bureau the drawings from which the models were designed, so that I can see the exact representation of the boat on the drawings.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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W. Marcan, Esq.,
Manager, W. U. Telegraph Co.,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I inclose herewith a copy of the message sent November 2nd to the Superintendent of the United States Mint at San Francisco which he informs me under date of the 23rd ultimo, was never received by him.

I will thank you to ascertain why this dispatch was never delivered.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Telegram Confirmed

Dec. 2, 1889.

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.,
Denver, Colo.

Your offer of seventy thousand ounces at ninety-seven cents per ounce fine accepted for New Orleans.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Telegram Confirmed

Dec. 2, 1889.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offers for Philadelphia and New Orleans, accepted.

E. O. Leech, Director.

Telegram Confirmed

Dec. 2, 1889.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
29, Wall Street, New York.

Your offer of one hundred thousand ounces at ninety-seven cents, per ounce fine, accepted, other declined.

E. O. Leech, Director.

Dec. 2nd, 1889.

Telegram

Confirmed.

Handy & Harman,
24, Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer accepted.
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 3, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Forty Thousand Seven Hundred and Nineteen $\frac{14}{100}$ Dollars, ($40,719.\frac{14}{100}$,) in Gold Coin and Two Hundred and Forty-four $\frac{24}{100}$ Dollars ($244.\frac{24}{100}$,) in Silver Coin making a total of Forty Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-three $\frac{38}{100}$ Dollars, ($40,963.\frac{38}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 29th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 3rd, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the ordinary and Refinery Expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office

at New York for the month ending October 31, 1889. rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

December 3rd, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

Your attention is called to an apparent error in your dispatch of the 30th ultimo giving the rate at which Peters offered forty thousand ounces of silver as "ninety-six and eighth cents". This telegram was repeated by the telegraph company the same as originally received.

As Evan Williams' offer was at ninety-six and nine-tenths cents it was assumed by the Bureau that the rate for Peters' offer was 96.8.

You will please be particular in telegraphing these rates in future in order to avoid any difference as to rates.

Your attention is also called to the fact that you failed to telegraph your coinage for the month of November until asked to do so by the Bureau. You will hereafter telegraph this on the last day of each month, promptly.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 3, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Nov. 29, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 15, dated Nov. 23, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $41,059.$\frac{81}{100}$; charges $96.$\frac{43}{100}$, and net value $40,963.$\frac{38}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully, yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 3rd, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary and Refinery Expense accounts for the Month ending October 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

2 Books - Registers of Visitors.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 3, 1889.

The Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your dispatch of the 2nd inst. reads as follows: "United States coin deposited for recoinage, month November, five standard ounces."

It must be evident from a perusal of this dispatch that it was impossible for this bureau to tell whether the coin deposited was gold or silver, consequently the dispatch was useless. In this connection I would say that it is not necessary to dispatch the deposits of United States coin unless they amount to a considerable sum. The telegraph of coinage for month of November was also erroneous. I would suggest that you, as a matter of economy to the Government, as well as of importance to this bureau, instruct whoever prepares dispatches on such subjects as these to exercise proper care in their compilation.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 4th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the

Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. Ca. for the quarter ending Sept. 30th, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 4th 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson City, Nev. for the month ending October 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary & Refinery expense accounts for the month ending Oct. 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Telegram

Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Forward Statement showing loss on sweeps and earnings and expenditures for September thirty, also new set of bullion accounts taking up loss on sweeps and reimbursement. Hofer or Elrod should Know how to make out these accounts.

E. O. Leech
Director.

December 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson City, Nevada.

Sir:

I am advised by the Superintendent of the United States Mint at Philadelphia of the shipment to you on the 2nd instant of five [5] pairs of Double Eagle dies and ten [10] pairs of standard silver dollar dies.

I will thank you to acknowledge the receipt of the same to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 4th, 1889.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nevada.

Sir:

You will please cause 150,000 silver dollars to be coined by your mint during the month of December.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 4th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Bullion accounts for the quarter ending Sept. 30th, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I am advised by the Superintendent of the United States Mint at Philadelphia of the shipment to you of ten [10] pairs of standard Silver dollar dies.

You will please acknowledge the receipt of the same to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

You will please cause 1,000,000, Silver dollars to be coined by your mint during the month of December.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U.S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of December, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $13,700.00, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1890,	$2700.00
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	6000.00
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	5000.00

Very respectfully,
E.O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters, except as here noted, to:

Supt. U.S. Assay Office,
New York City.

$6,100.00

Salaries,	1890,	$3,300.
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	2,000.
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	800.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

$494.80

Salaries,	$294.80
Wages of Workmen, Contingent Expences,	200.00

Dec. 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $6000. from the appropriation for the coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar to meet in part, the expense of that coinage at your mint during the current month.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $6000.00 to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion."

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been expressed to you this day, viz:

50 Check Books -

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Superintendent U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You will please cause 1,350,000 silver dollars to be coined by your Mint during the month of December.

Respectfully yours,
E.O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 4th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Assistant Treasurer at New York instructed by wire to-day to place one million dollars to your credit.

E. O. Leech,
Director.

December 4, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I send by express to-day the models of the "Joseph Francis" medal, to be struck under a Joint Resolution of Congress approved August 27, 1888, which reads as follows:

Resolved x x x That in view of the life-long services to humanity and to his country of the now venerable Joseph Francis, in the construction and perfection of life-saving appliances by which many thousands of lives have been saved, the Director of the Mint is hereby authorized and required to strike a gold medal, with a suitable device and inscription, prepared under the direction of the Joint Committee on the Library, to be presented by the President of the United States to Mr. Francis, in recognition of his eminent services.

Sec. 2. That a sufficient sum of money to carry this

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resolution into effect is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated."

The models have been submitted for inspection on the part of Mr. Francis and his friends and Senator Evarts, the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Library.

The only defect to which attention has been attracted is in the representation of the cylinder on the life boat, which has the appearance of a hand rail. This defect can be remedied by the die-sinker, and I desire to call special attention to it at this time. In order that he may have the necessary representations with which to remedy this defect I enclose with the drawings of the medal two photographs of the life car.

It is my desire, and the wish of the Chairman of the Committee on Library, that the medal for Mr. Francis be of the largest size which the press will take, and that it be executed in the very best mechanical and artistic manner, and at the earliest practicable moment. The medal will be of fine gold.

I presume the medal should be made of a diameter of four inches and of such thickness as would best correspond to a medal of such diameter.

You will understand that I desire you will put your best engraver at once on this work, and spare no pains to have it executed in the finest style of art, both the engraving and the striking of the medal.

As Mr. Francis has now reached the ripe age of eighty-six years his friends are anxious that no time shall be lost in the manufacture of this medal, so you will please give the matter your earliest and best attention.

Very respectfully
E. A. Leech
Director.

Dec. 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir

The following blank book & forms for Official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

50 Form No. 125, Record of Coins reserved for Annual Assay.
1 Book - Record of Gold Coin.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the United States mint at Philadelphia forwarded to you on the 23rd ultimo the following dies:

Five [5] pairs Double Eagle;
Five [5] pairs Eagle;
Five [5] pairs Standard Silver Dollar;
Five [5] pairs Dime.

You will please acknowledge the receipt of these dies to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

December 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

You will please cause 500,000 silver dollars to be coined by your Mint during the month of December.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

December 4th, 1889.

George S. Critterden, Esq.,
Post-Express Printing Company,
Rochester, N.Y.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 29th ultimo you are informed that the total number of two-cent bronze pieces coined from 1864 - 1873 was $912,020. Of this amount there have been remelted at the Mint $306,937.68, leaving outstanding on June 30, 1889, 605,082.32.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 4, 1889.

Mrs. Johnson,
127, 6th St. N.E.
Washington D.C.

Madam.

The two copies of the photograph of the life car which you left with me today have been mislaid and cannot be found. Will you please send me two more copies to-morrow.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boise City be increased in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, ($10,000.—) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the

Assayer in Charge of said institution with the Boisé City National Bank, Boisé City, Idaho.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver Colo. for the month ending October 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

Assay Office at Helena, Mon.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Ten Thousand Dollars, ($10000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Boisé City National Bank.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Offers of Peters and Williams declined.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I transmit herewith the Assayer's report upon assay coins taken from the first and two subsequent deliveries in each week at your Mint during the month of October, 1889, and forwarded for test as prescribed by the Regulations. The coins were found to be within the legal limits of tolerance.

Respectfully yours
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

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Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Reduce purchasing rate of Silver to ninety-five and one quarter cents per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Similar, except as here noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

" " " "
" ninety-five cents " "

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

" " " " "
" ninety-five cents " " "

December 5, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Your Statement of Earnings & Expenditures for the quarter ending Sept. 30th, 1889 is herewith returned for correction.

The item of Contingent Expenses should be 208.18 instead of 208.28

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Please forward corrected statement & return the one herewith sent you.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint,
Denver Colo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending October 31, 1889, with my approval.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

December 5, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

An examination of the payrolls of the Mint at Philadelphia for the month of June 1885, the last month of the administration of S. Louden Snowden as Superintendent, shows a force of employés numbering 357 persons, while the force carried on the rolls of the Mint for the month of October, 1889, the last month of the incumbency of Daniel M. Fox as Superintendent, shows a force of 520 persons. The increase in the work of the Mint does not justify so large an increase of force, and you are therefore instructed

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to use your best efforts to reduce the force to a proper working basis consistent with prompt and perfect execution of the coinage, based upon current allotment.

In reducing the force to conform with the practical requirements of a manufacturing institution you will use your discretion in making the reduction gradual so as to work the least hardships to those at present employed.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Penna.

Sir:

Referring to the results of the tests of Silver dollars coined at your mint during the month of October and sent this Bureau for special assay, your attention is directed to the large variation in the fineness of the different pieces ranging from .899.6 to .902.2, an average of .900.90, or nearly .001 above standard.

The tests would indicate either bad work in making up the melts for ingots or that the strips were burned during annealing.

You will please take such steps as you may deem necessary, to insure a more uniform product.

Respectfully, yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the Rates and for the Amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Wesslage Colgate & Co. 100,000 Ounces, at $0.95-25-
Handy & Harman 150,000 Ounces, at $0.9535-

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary, Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar Coinage & Storage Accounts, with Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending November 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I enclose herewith the two copies of the photograph of the life car referred to in my letter of the 4th instant, which through an inadvertence were not sent yesterday.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech.
Director.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

250 Deposit sheets of Gold Bullion.
250 Recapitulation blanks.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy and Harman,
24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer accepted.
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar telegram to:

Hesslage Colgate & Co.
29, Wall St.
New York.

Dec. 5th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank
New York.

Your offer declined.
E. O. Leech, Director.

Similar telegram to:

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

December 5, 1889.

Hon. Justin S. Morrill,
United States Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to send you to day for your personal use a bound copy of my annual report.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters addressed to:

Hon. Thos. R. Reed,
House of Representatives.

Hon. John Sherman,
United States Senate

Hon. John H. Mitchell
United States Senate.

Hon. Joseph N. Dolph,
United States Senate

Hon. John C. Spooner
United States Senate.

Hon. Wm. M. Evarts,
United States Senate.

Hon. Frank Hiscock,
United States Senate.

Hon. Wm M. Stewart,
United States Senate.

Hon. Warner Miller,
New York. - (dated Dec. 6th 1889)

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Hon. Leland Stanford,
United States Senate.

Hon. W. W. Morrow;
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

December 5, 1889.

John Jay Knox, Esq.,
Prest. Nat. Bank of Republic,
New York.

My dear Mr. Knox:

I send you to-day for your personal use a copy of my annual report - my maiden effort - also a copy of the report of the Secretary of the Treasury. In a few days I will have some pamphlet copies of his article on "Silver", and I will send you some for distribution.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 5, 1889.

John A. Grier,
633 N. 40th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Grier:

I send you to-day a copy of my report, and also a copy of the report of the Secretary of the Treasury. You will probably find in them the statistics you need. If you will inform me of the exact character of the statistics you require I will be pleased to furnish them.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Dec. 5th, 1889.

The Publishers
New York Tribune,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

Your bill of the 2nd instant for subscription to the New York Tribune for one year from the 1st instant purchased for the use of the Bureau of the Mint, amounting to $10.00 has been approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement.

In the course of ten days a draft for the amount will probably be mailed you.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to:

The Publishers,
New York Eve'g Post.
New York City.

3rd instant to the New York Evening Post
7th instant
$9.00

Dec. 6th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fifteen Thousand and Ten 69/100

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Dollars ($16,010.$\frac{69}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Two Hundred and Fifty $\frac{76}{100}$ Dollars ($250.$\frac{76}{100}$) in Silver Coin, making a total of Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty one $\frac{45}{100}$ Dollars, ($16,261.$\frac{45}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated Dec. 2, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 6th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of S. W. Smyth Superintendent of the United States Mint at New Orleans, the sum of $275,000 on account of profits on the coinage of Silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of said institution be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 6th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary expense accounts of the Assayers in Charge of the U. S. Assay Offices at Boise, Charlotte & St. Louis for the month ending Mch 31st, 1889, rendered to me

or the purpose of adjustment as required by law. Note recommendation on abst. of disbursements for Boise City.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson.

Sir:

Please forward, as soon as practicable, Record of Coins reserved for annual Assay Form #125, for each month since the resumption of coinage operations at your Mint.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

Circular.

Purchase of Uncurrent Silver Coins at the Mints of the United States.

Treasury Department, Bureau of the Mint
Washington D. C. December 6th, 1889.

The Superintendents of the Mints at Philadelphia, San Francisco, New Orleans and Carson will purchase, when presented in sums of three dollars and upwards, mutilated and uncurrent United States Silver Coin at the price fixed by the Director of the Mint for Silver contained in Gold Deposits.

Uncurrent Coins should be transmitted to the Mints by registered mail or express (charges prepaid). The value will be returned in the same manner at the seller's expense and risk.

Approved:
W. Windom,
Secretary

E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 6th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary expense Account with abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending November 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letters addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Supt. U.S. Assay Office,
New York City

Ordinary and Refinery expense

Dec. 6th 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U.S. Assay Office,
Boise City, T.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary expense account for the month ending Oct 31st 1889 with my approval, except Voucher 22, bill of Jno. Bradbeck for coke

in which the amount due is erroneously calculated it being $71.70 instead of $71.75 as entered. I have recommended the Excess of 5¢ to be disallowed.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 6th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your ~~account~~ Ordinary Expense account account for the month ending October 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

Similar letter addressed D:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

December 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of $275,000 to be deposited in your name in the Treasury of the United States on account of profits on the Coinage of silver dollars, and that your bullion fund be increased by a transfer of the same sum.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please forward, as soon as practicable, Record of Coins reserved for Annual Assay Form #125 for Month July 1889.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Weigh Clerk's book of Deposits of Silver Bullion.
4 Gold Sample books.
12 Time Books.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 6th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Dec. 2, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 100 dated Nov. 27, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau and the gross value found to be $16,305.$^{64}/_{100}$, charges $43.$^{19}/_{100}$, and net value $16,261.$^{45}/_{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia. Respectfully yours,

Dec. 6th, 1889.

Homans Publishing Company
251 Broadway,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

Send me by return mail, if possible, two copies of your Banker's Almanac and Register of very latest date, 1890 if it is prepared; the latest I have is January 1889.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 7th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of O. C. Bosbyshell Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Five Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($550,000.-) on account of profits on the coinage of Standard Silver dollars and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 7th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be deposited in the Treasury in your name the sum of Five Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars

($550,000) on account of profits on the coinage of standard silver dollars and that your bullion fund be increased by a transfer of that amount.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

Dec. 7th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank book for official use has been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Cashier's Coinage and Bar book.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Telegram

Dec. 7th, 1889.

George H. Sharp,
Rondout, N. Y.

Will accept guarantee company of North America as surety for Broadhead.

E. O. Leech
Director Mint.

December 7, 1889.

Miss Edmo Randolph Goode,
Liberty, Bedford Co.
Va.

Miss:

Replying to your communication of the 2nd inst. you are respectfully informed that I have no positions at my disposal. If you wish to enter the Mint service your proper course of procedure

is to make your application to the Superintendent of the Mint in the city in which you seek service.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 7th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Co.
Omaha D, Neb.

Will consider offer on Monday for sale of from one hundred to two hundred thousand Ounces for San Francisco; price much lower than last purchase

E. O. Leech,
Director.

December 9th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

In order to enable me to estimate for your annual proclamation, as required by Section 3564 R. S., the values of the standard coins of the world, as well as to continue the compilation of the monetary statistics of foreign countries, I have the honor to recommend that the enclosed list of questions be transmitted to the Department of State with the request that copies be addressed to representatives of the United States abroad for reply.

I beg to suggest that the replies, in the form of a report, be transmitted directly to this Bureau as was done by direction of the Secretary of State for the calendar year 1888.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

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List of Interrogatories.
Calendar Year 1889.

1st. What was the amount of gold coined during the calendar year 1889, by denominations and values? What amount was re-coined [withdrawn from circulation] during the year, domestic and foreign coins separately?

2nd. Same for Silver.

3rd. What was the import and export of gold during the calendar year 1889? Coin, bullion and ore should be given separately, where practicable.

4th. Same for Silver.

5th. What was the weight expressed in Kilograms, and the value of the gold produced from the mines during the calendar year 1889?

6th. Same for Silver.

7th. What, approximately, was the stock of gold coin and bullion in the country at the close of the calendar year 1889?

8th. Same for silver.

9th What was the amount of government and bank notes outstanding at the same date:

10th Were any laws passed during the year 1889 affecting the coinage, issue, or legal tender character of the metallic and paper circulation? If so, please transmit copies.

11th. In case the report of the operations of the Mint is published please forward a copy.

Dec. 9, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S.

Assay Office at Charlotte to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred and ninety-one 42/100 Dollars, ($13,991.42) in Gold Coin, and Fifty eight 31/100 Dollars ($58.31) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fourteen Thousand and Forty-nine 73/100 Dollars, ($14,049.73/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, as shown by Memorandum dated Dec. 5th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
E.O. Leech,
Director.

Dec. 9, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Helena, Montana to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Twelve Thousand One Hundred and Fifteen 16/100 Dollars ($12,115-16/100) in Gold Coin and Seventy-eight 66/100 Dollars ($78.66/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Twelve Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-three 82/100 Dollars ($12,193.82/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated Nov. 30th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
E.O. Leech
Director.

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Dec. 9th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary, Refinery & Stand. Silver Dol. Coinage & Storage accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the month ending November 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint

December 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson Nev.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $2000.00 to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for Parting and refining bullion"

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dec. 9, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Boise City, I.T.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of December, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $869.60, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Office during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1890	$269.60
Wages of Workmen,	1890	} 600.00
Contingent Expenses,	1890	}

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

Similar letters except as here noted, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

$731.70

Salaries,	1890	$231.70
Wages of Workmen,	1890	} 500.00
Contingent Expenses,	1890	}

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

$11,500.00

Salaries,	1890,	$2,500
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	7,000
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	2,000

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Over

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	$45000.00		Mint
Salaries,	1890,		$4,000
Wages of Workmen,	1890,		31,000
Contingent Expenses,	1890,		10,000

December 9, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 6th inst., relative to the fixtures needed at your institution, you are authorized to purchase such as may be necessary for the business portion of the assay office from your contingent appropriation, if your current expenses will permit of it. There is no way of increasing the amount of your contingent appropriation except by act of Congress.

As the Department has decided that furniture and fixtures for the institutions under the control of this bureau should be appropriated for specifically by Congress and do not enter into the estimates for public buildings under the control of this department, it is not willing to use the appropriation under its control to provide fixtures and furniture for your institution.

I know of no way by which the necessary gas fixtures can be purchased except from your contingent appropriation.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 9, 1889.

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte.

Sir:

Deposit-Memorandum, dated Dec. 5th, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 11 dated Nov. 30th 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau and the gross value found to be $14,082.$\frac{81}{100}$. Charges $33.$\frac{08}{100}$, and net value $14,049.$\frac{73}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, with exceptions here noted, to:

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Shipment No. 16
$12,223.$\frac{60}{100}$; $29.$\frac{84}{100}$, $12,193.$\frac{82}{100}$.

Dec. 9th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary, Refinery and Stand. Silver Dol. Coinage & Storage accounts for the month ending November 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

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Dec. 9th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day at the Department by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, & at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Fourth National Bank 67000 Ounces, at $0.9595
Handy & Harman 150000 Ounces, at $0.95875

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have your requisition of the 7th instant for $16,000 advance from the appropriation for the Coinage of Standard Silver dollar. This amount is larger than the monthly pay rolls of your Mint from this appropriation. Before acting upon it I will thank you to inform me whether it cannot be reduced considerably.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 9, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Form No. 266 approximate statement of coin deposits, will be discontinued, so far as relates to your Mint. In case there are any considerable deposits of United States coin for recoinage, say, twenty ounces of gold or one-hundred ounces of silver, you will telegraph it at the end of the month as heretofore, otherwise you will make no report monthly of the approximate amount of United States coin deposits.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Telegram

December 9th, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Telegraph approximate amount of pay rolls for present month. Has increase of force been made?

E. O. Leech
Director.

December 9th, 1889.

J. E. O'Conor, Esq.,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.
Calcutta, India.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of the copy of the Report of the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, No. 5612, forwarded with your communication of October 31, 1889.

I send you by to-day's mail twelve [12] copies

of my annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, just received from the printer, for such distribution in India as you may think best.

In this connection permit me to say that it is a matter of regret that I did not receive in time for publication in this report, and have not yet received, a statement of the coinage of the mints at Calcutta and Bombay for the calendar year 1888.

I would be very much obliged if this statement of coinage by calendar years for both 1888 and 1889 could be furnished me.

I would also appreciate a statement showing the production of the precious metals in India during each of the calendar years named for use in connection with the report on the production of the precious metals, which will be issued from this Bureau about April 1890.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director of the Mint.

December 9, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Vandever,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., asking that a copy of my report be sent to Mr. H. D. Barrows, Los Angeles, Cal. you are respectfully informed that the same has been mailed to the address given in your letter.

I send you by mail to-day a library copy of my report for your personal use.

It will afford me pleasure to send copies of the reports of this Bureau to any of your

constituents if you will furnish me with their names and addresses.

Very respectfully
E. O. Leech
Director.

December 9, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Supt. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Have purchased two hundred thousand ounces from Omaha Grant for delivery at your Mint. Rate by mail.

E. O. Leech
Director.

December 9, 1889.

C. P. Goss, Esq.,
Scovill Manufacturing Co.,
Waterbury, Conn.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 6th inst. also a package containing samples of coins, blanks, aluminum medals and a pocket match safe.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 9, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Colo.

Your offer declined.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Dec. 9, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offer accepted.
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar telegram to:

Handy & Harman,
24, Nassau Street,
New York.

Dec. 9th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Co.
Omaha, Neb.

Your offer accepted for two hundred thousand ounces for San Francisco.
E. O. Leech,
Director Mint.

Dec. 9th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for payment from your appropriation for Contingent Expenses the account of the "Press" for advertising Proposals for bronze one cent blanks, amounting to $22.88.

Respectfully yours,
E. O. Leech
Director, Mint.

Dec. 9, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
1000 Acknowledgments of remittances for Minor Coins.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

500 Memoranda of Fine Silver Bars.

December 10th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at San Francisco for the Quarter ending June 30th 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

December 10, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Mr. E. H. Bradhead whom you appointed as Assistant

assayer in your office has received much valuable training at the New York assay office, and I am informed by the assayer, Professor Torrey, that he is fully competent to perform the duties of the position so I have instructed him to proceed at once to Boise City and he will probably be there in the course of a week or ten days.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director.

Dec. 10th, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson Nevada.

Advance purchasing rate of silver ninety-five and three quarter cents per ounce fine.

E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar telegrams, except as here noted, sent to:

Superintendent U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

+ + ninety five and three quarter + + +

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

+ + ninety-five and one half + + +

Dec. 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:
1000 Acknowledgments of remittances for Minor Coins.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech
Director.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

500 Memoranda of Fine Silver Bars.

December 10th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco for the Quarter ending June 30th 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
E. O. Leech,
Director of the Mint.

December 10, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Mr. E. H. Bodhead whom you appointed as Assistant